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Kanan is a passive sort, whose timidity has a way of irritating anyone around him with half an ounce of self-respect. When investigating an [illegible] apartment leak, he discovers the source is something beyond his wildest fantasy—a mermaid?! That's Mr. Mermaid, thank you very much. Kaioh is aquatic royalty, with tears of pearl and a selfish, [illegible] attitude bigger than the ocean. One look at submissive Kanan, and Mr. Mermaid knows he's found someone to wait on him hand and foot. Quick as you please, Kaioh moves in to Kanan's bathtub and begins ordering him around like King Neptune himself! Is this abusive man-phibian simply taking advantage of the situation? Or is he offering Kanan some kind of twisted therapy—a sink or swim scenario to finally find his courage?

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SO I'VE DECIDED TO JUST BE CONTENT WITH LIVING UNOBTRUSIVELY, OUT OF THE WORLD'S WAY.
I WISH I COULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT, BUT I CAN'T.
I'M A TIMID PERSON
↓SILENT VOICE
KACHAK
I'M HOME--
WHAT THE...?!
SOAKING WET?
THUD

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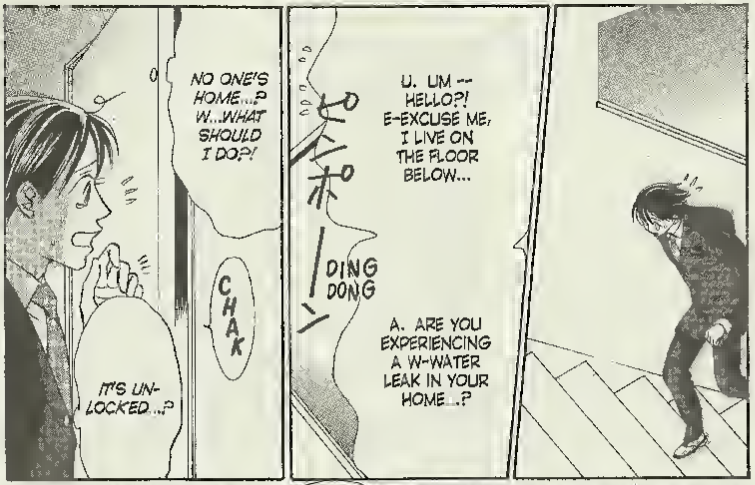
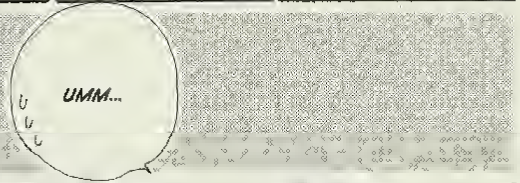

NO ONE'S HOME...? W...WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
CHAK
IT'S UN-LOCKED...?
ピンポーン DING DONG
U. UM -- HELLO?! E-EXCUSE ME, I LIVE ON THE FLOOR BELOW...
A. ARE YOU EXPERIENCING A W-WATER LEAK IN YOUR HOME...?



WHEW~ IT'S STOPPED... I WONDER IF THEY JUST STEPPED OUT FOR GROCERIES AND FORGOT THEY LEFT THE BATH RUNNING...?
キュ SQUEAK
I'M NOT A BURGLAR!
P-PARDON ME FOR INTRUDING -- I'M JUST GOING TO SHUT OFF YOUR WATER!

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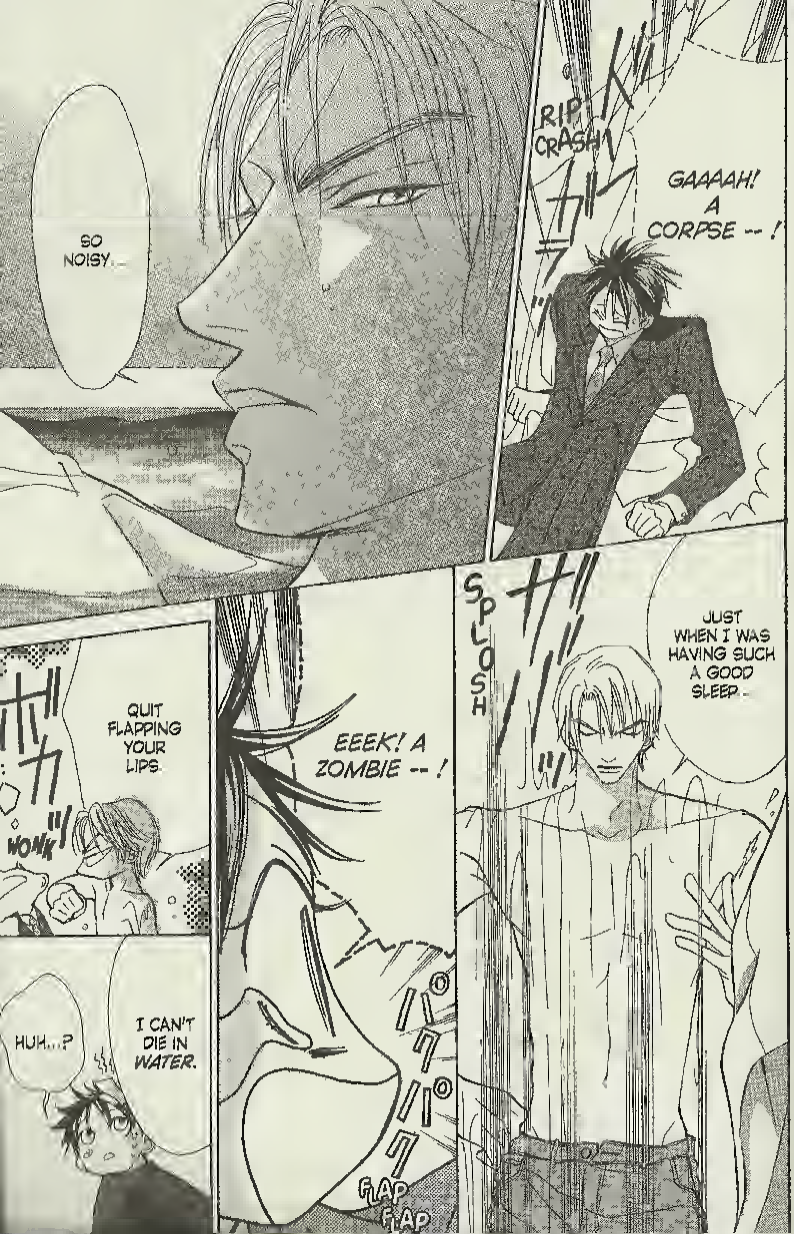
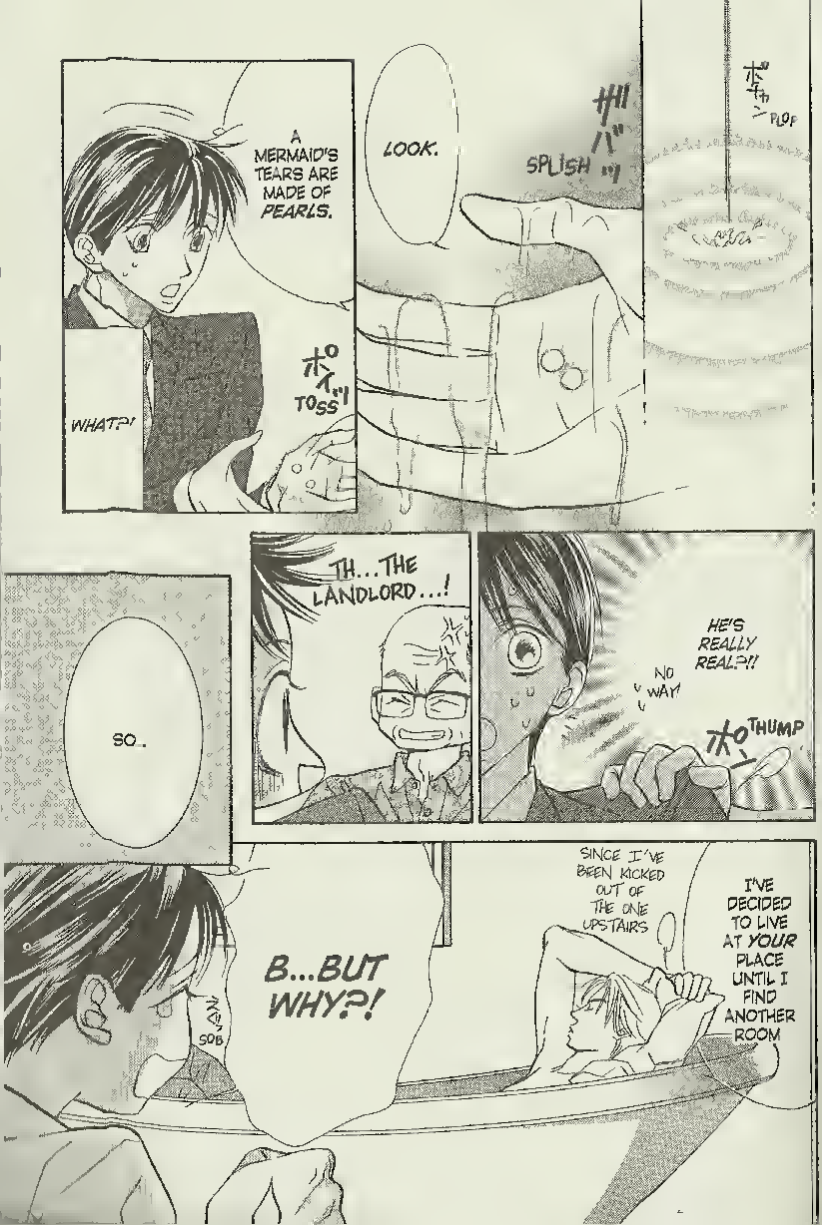
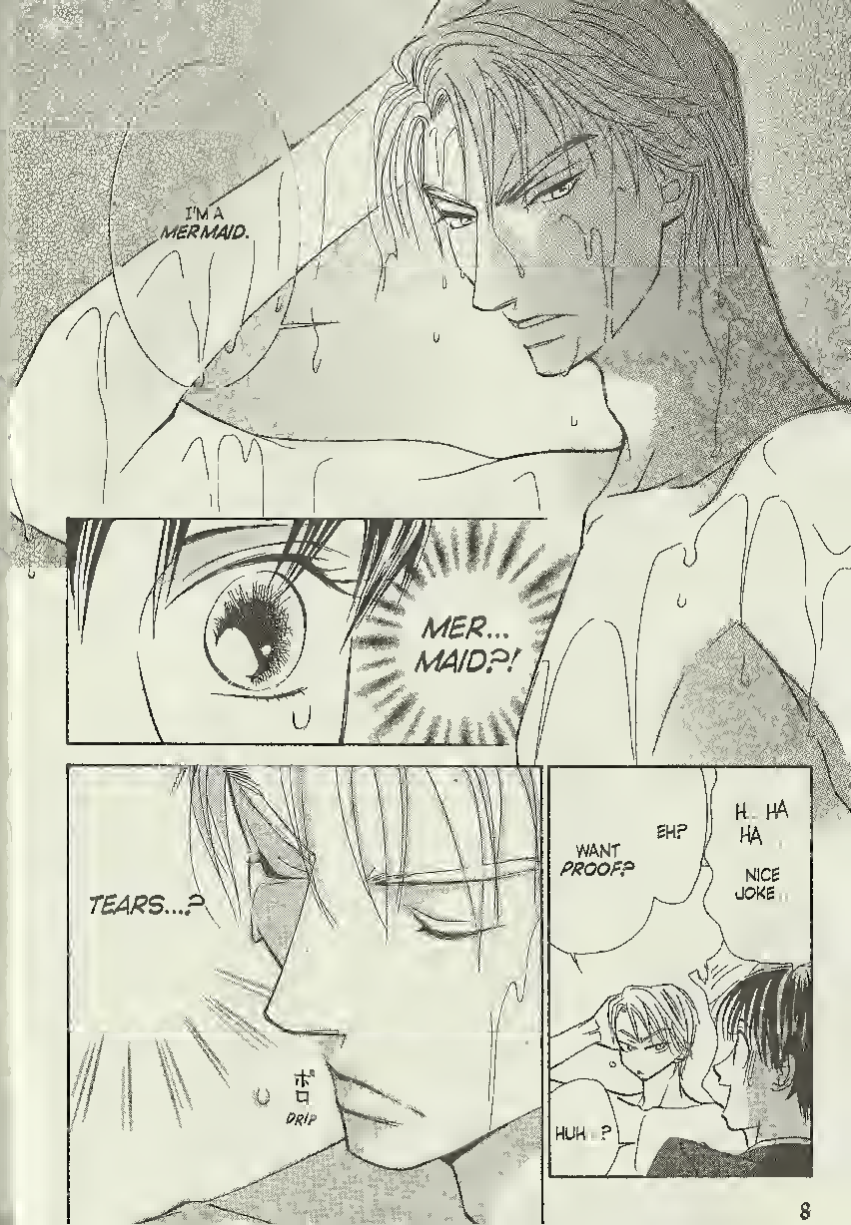
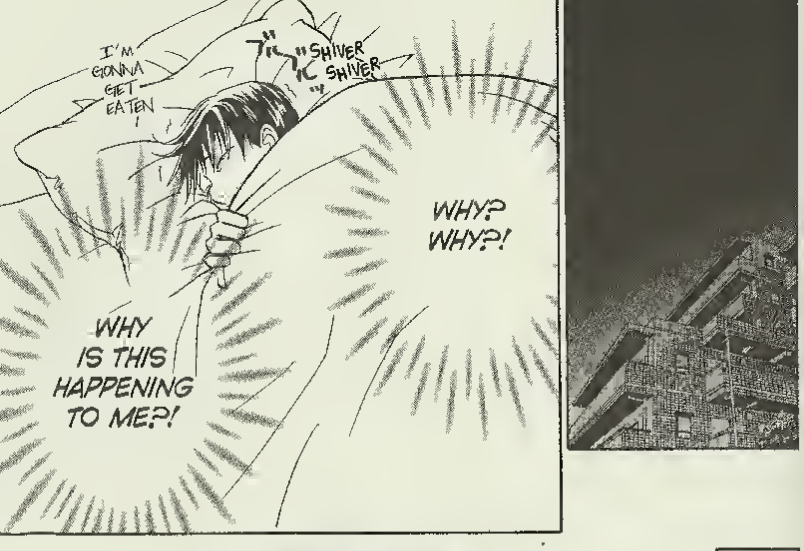
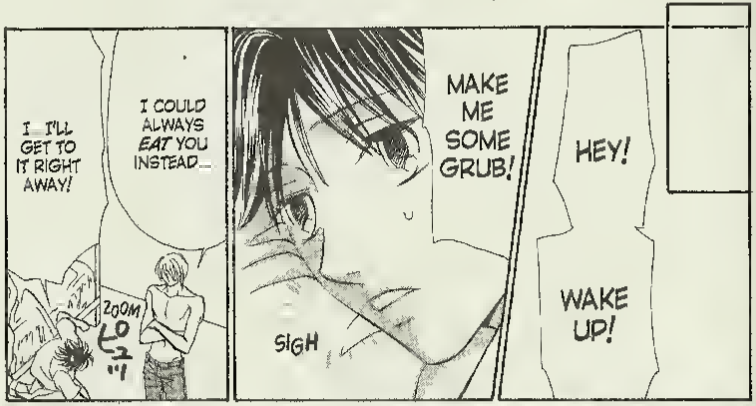

SO NOISY...
RIP CRASH
GAAAAH! A CORPSE --!
QUIT FLAPPING YOUR LIPS.
WONK
EEEK! A ZOMBIE --!
SPLOSH
JUST WHEN I WAS HAVING SUCH A GOOD SLEEP...
HUH...?
I CAN'T DIE IN WATER.
FLAP FLAP

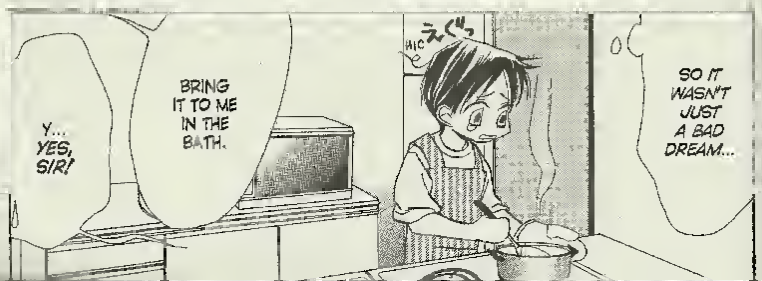
I—I THOUGHT I SAW LEGS...
IT COULDN'T BE...
PEEK
FREEZE!
I'D BETTER LEAVE BEFORE THEY COME BACK...
SLIP
YIKES

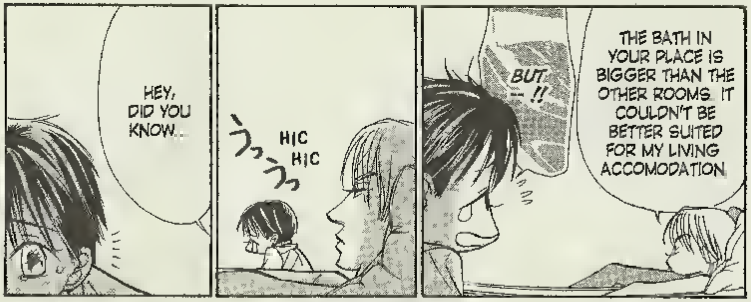

A MERMAID'S TEARS ARE MADE OF PEARLS.
WHAT?!
ポイッ TOSS
LOOK.
ポチャ PLOF
ハバ SPLISH
TH...THE LANDLORD...!
HE'S REALLY REAL?!!
NO WAY
ドカ THUMP
SO.
B...BUT WHY?!
シクシク SOB
SINCE I'VE BEEN KICKED OUT OF THE ONE UPSTAIRS
I'VE DECIDED TO LIVE AT YOUR PLACE UNTIL I FIND ANOTHER ROOM

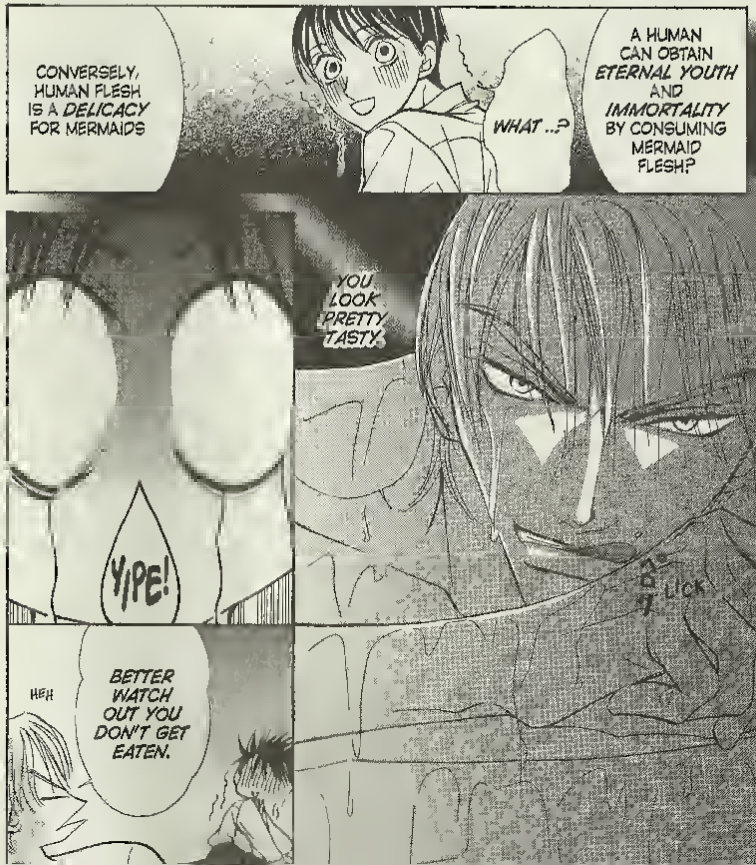

I'M A MERMAID.
MER... MAID?!
TEARS...?
ポロ DRIP
EH?
WANT PROOF?
H..HA HA
NICE JOKE
HUH..?

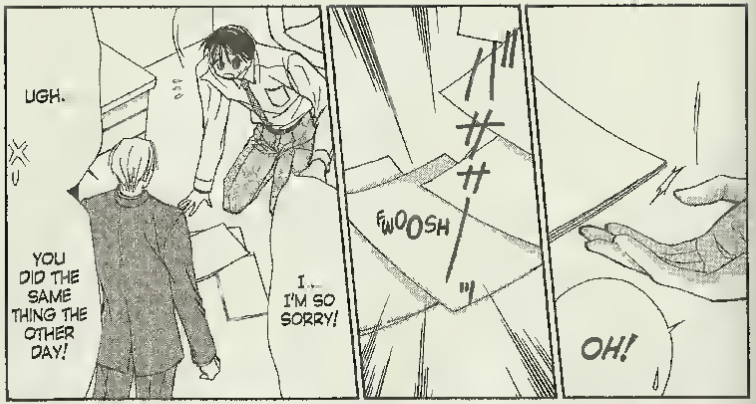

I'M GONNA GET EATEN!
"SHIVER SHIVER"
WHY? WHY?!
WHY IS THIS HAPPENING TO ME?!


I... I'LL GET TO IT RIGHT AWAY!
I COULD ALWAYS EAT YOU INSTEAD...
ZOOM
MAKE ME SOME GRUB!
SIGH
HEY!
WAKE UP!


Y... YES, SIR!
BRING IT TO ME IN THE BATH.
HIC
SO IT WASN'T JUST A BAD DREAM...

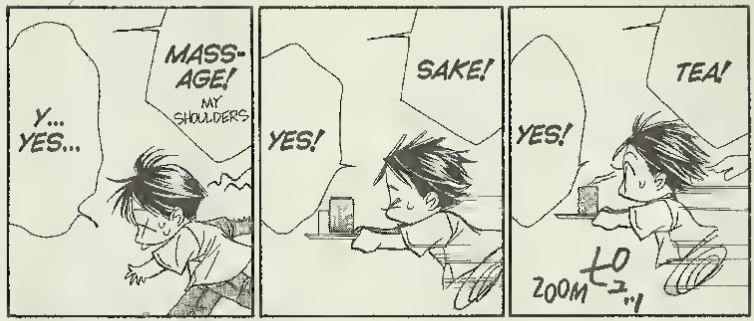

HEY, DID YOU KNOW...
HIC HIC
BUT... !!
THE BATH IN YOUR PLACE IS BIGGER THAN THE OTHER ROOMS. IT COULDN'T BE BETTER SUITED FOR MY LIVING ACCOMODATION.

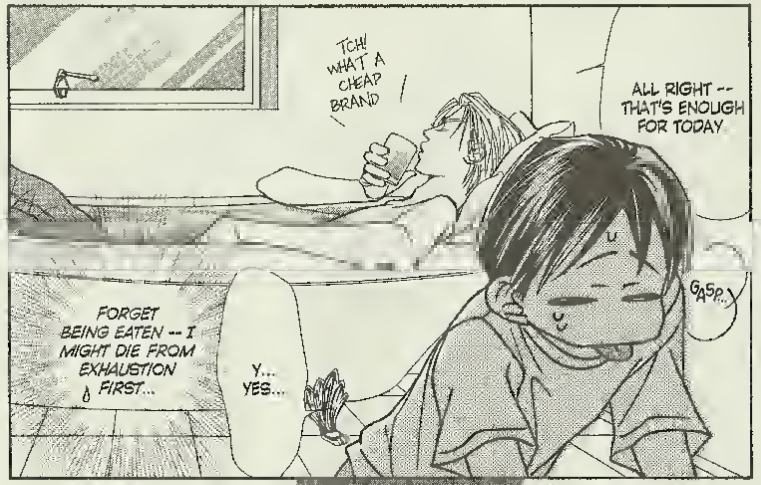

CONVERSELY, HUMAN FLESH IS A DELICACY FOR MERMAIDS
WHAT ...?
A HUMAN CAN OBTAIN ETERNAL YOUTH AND IMMORTALITY BY CONSUMING MERMAID FLESH?
YIPE!
YOU LOOK PRETTY TASTY.
LICK
HEH
BETTER WATCH OUT YOU DON'T GET EATEN.

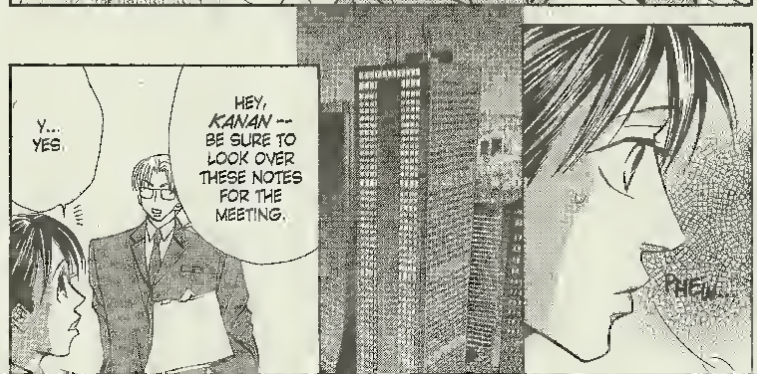

UGH.
YOU DID THE SAME THING THE OTHER DAY!
I... I'M SO SORRY!
FWOOSH
OH!

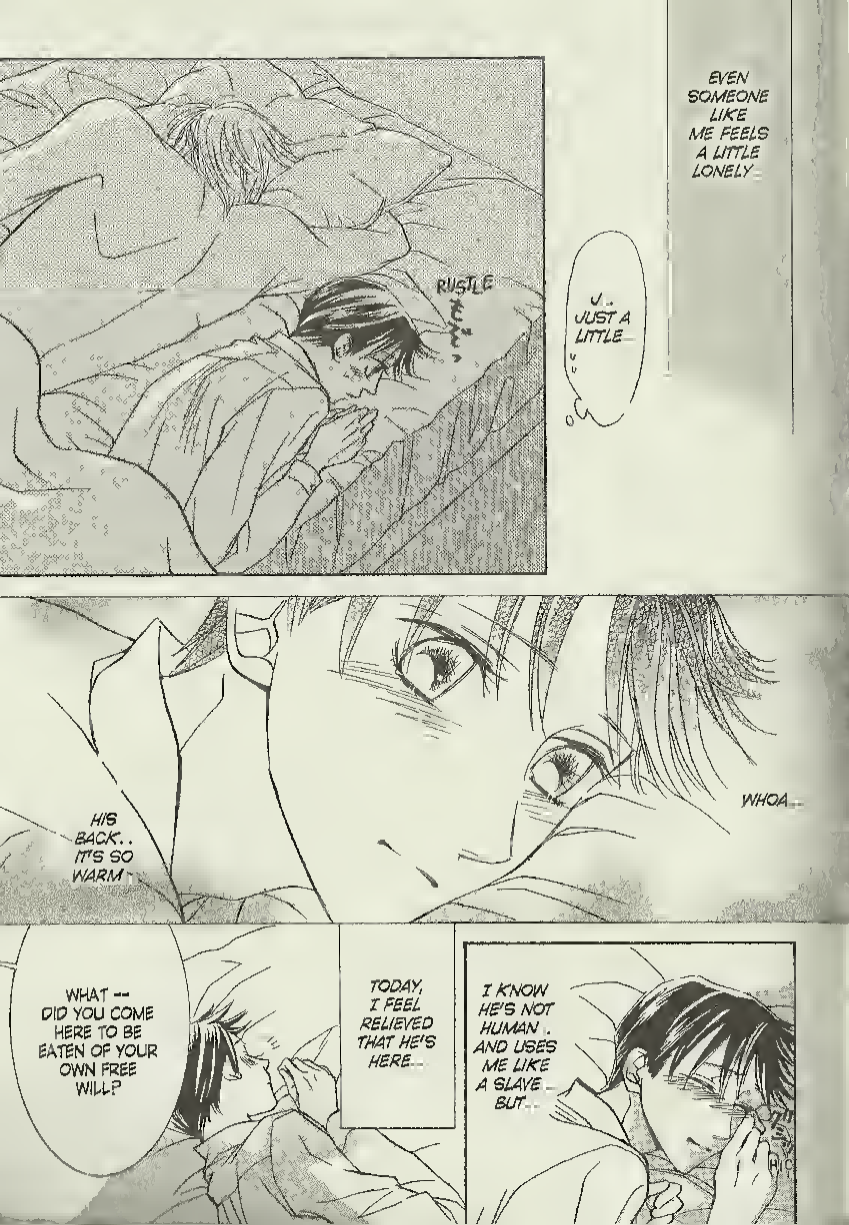
I SWEAR -- IT'S SO ANNOYING JUST TO *WATCH* YOU!
I'M SORRY...
STOP APOLO-GIZING!

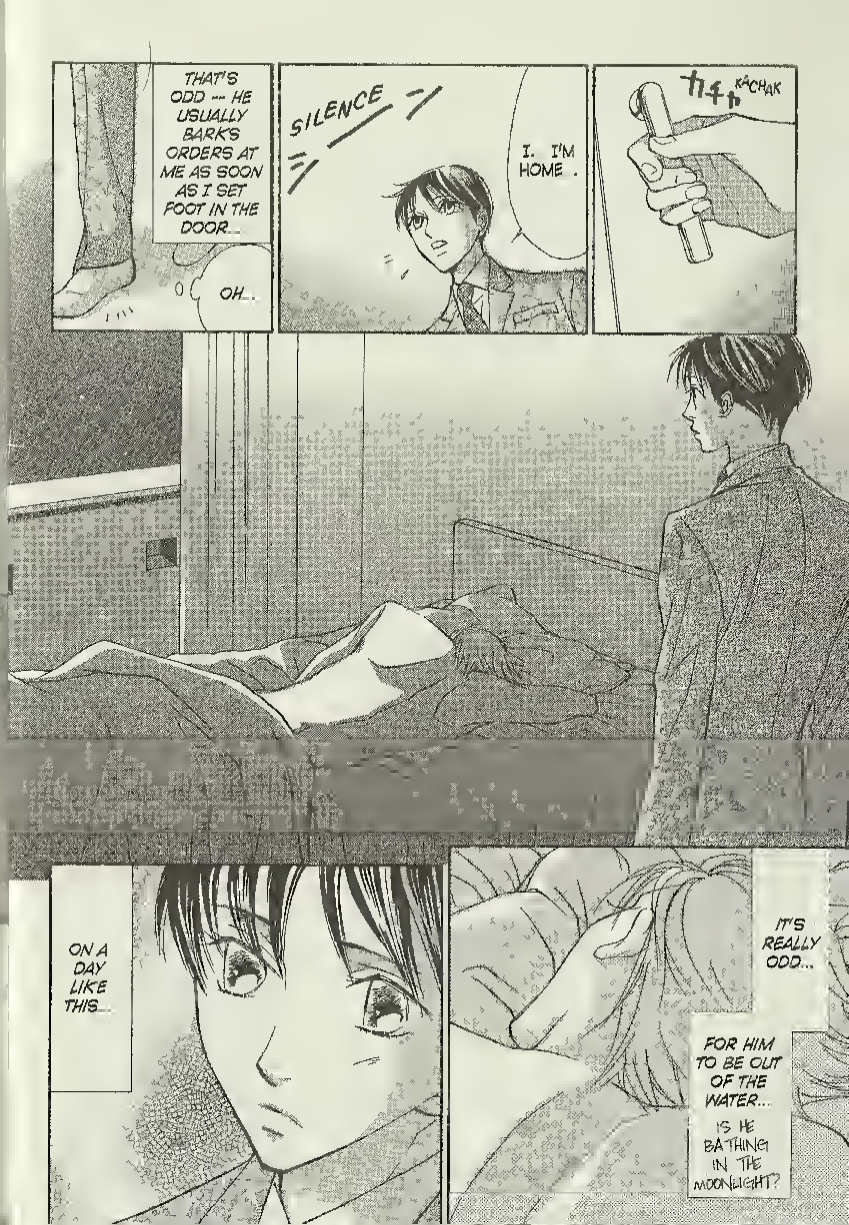
SHI-NKO

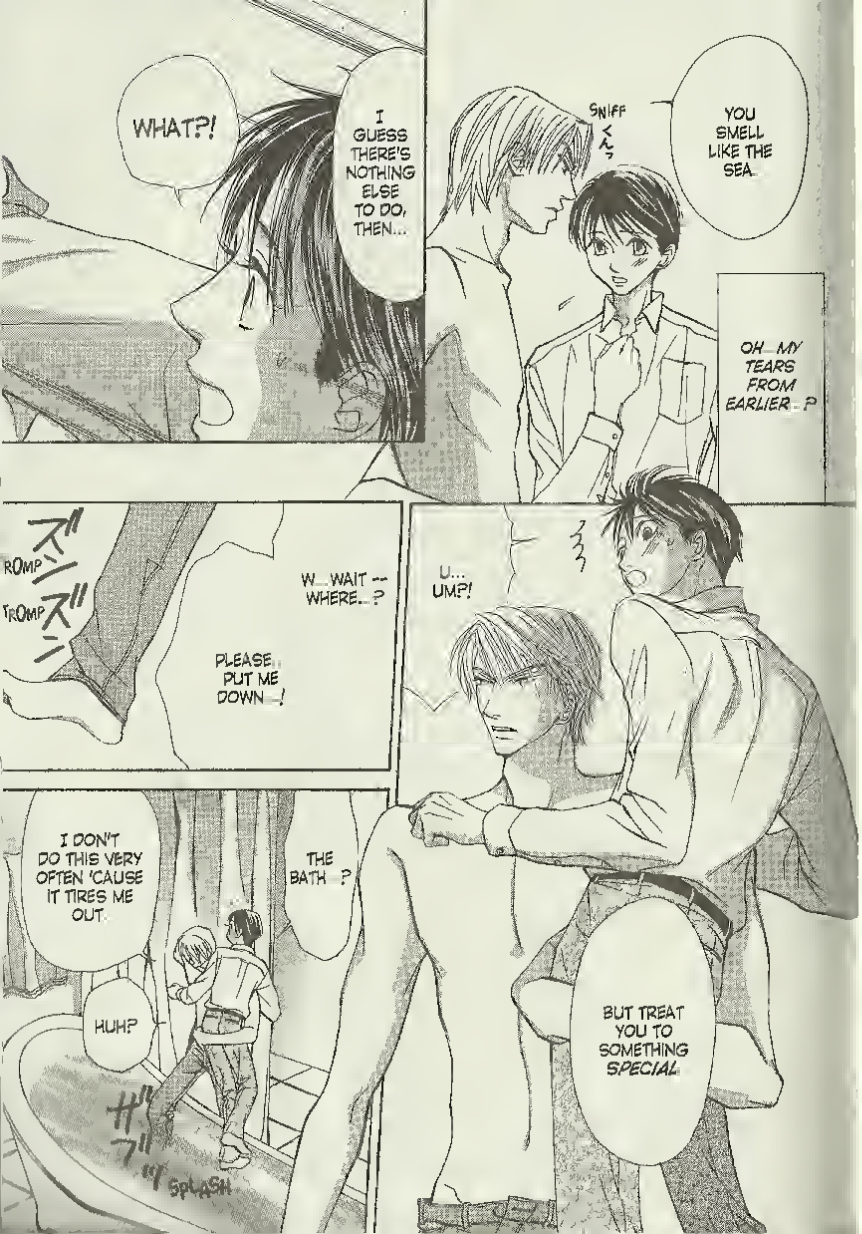

Y... YES...
MASS-AGE! MY SHOULDERS
YES!
SAKE!
YES!
TEA!
ZOOM

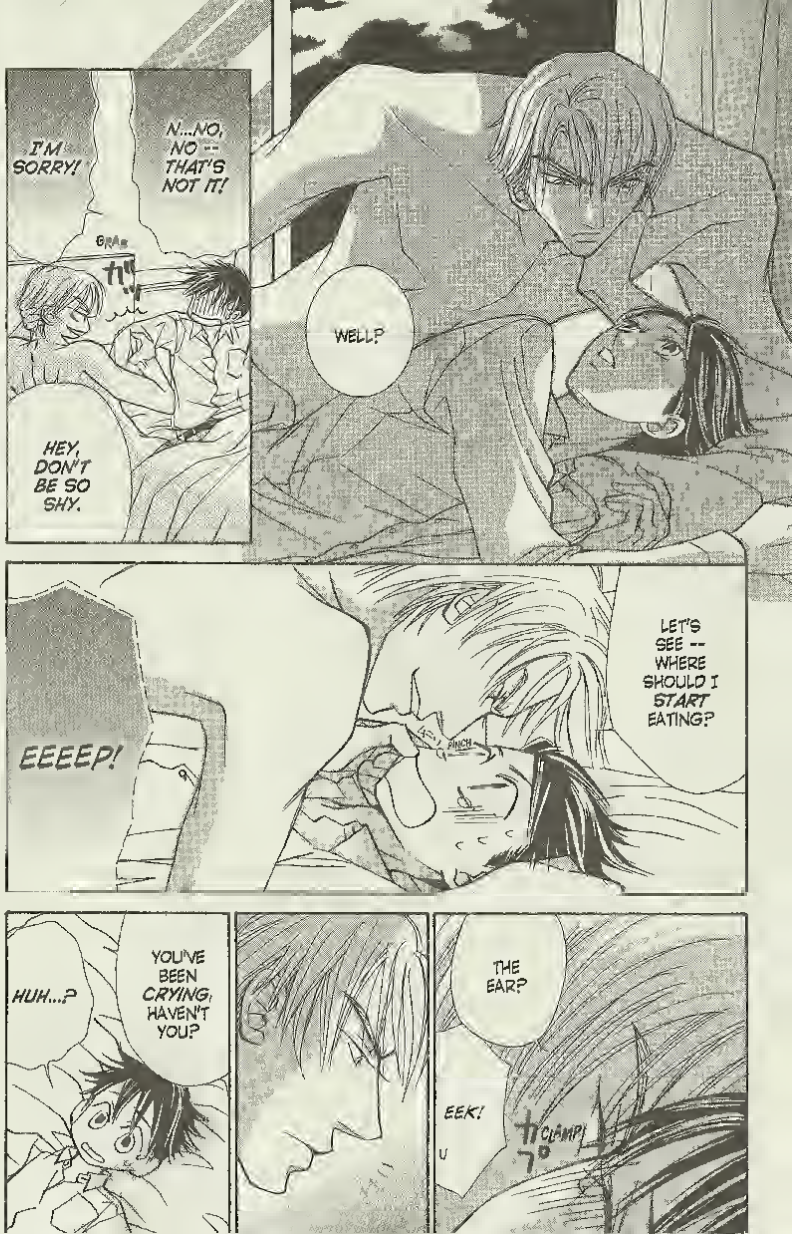

TCH! WHAT A CHEAP BRAND
ALL RIGHT -- THAT'S ENOUGH FOR TODAY.
FORGET BEING EATEN -- I MIGHT DIE FROM EXHAUSTION FIRST...
Y... YES...
GASP.

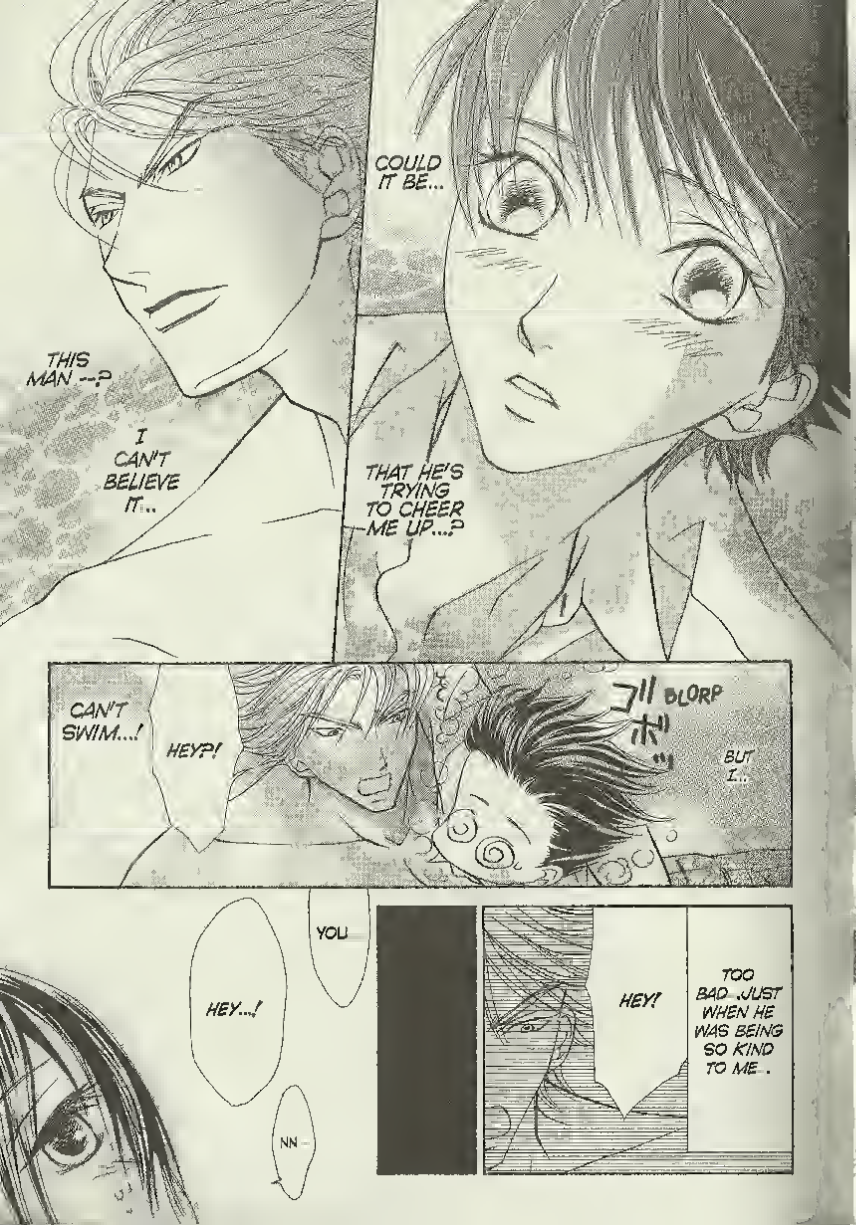

Y... YES.
HEY, *KANAN* -- BE SURE TO LOOK OVER THESE NOTES FOR THE MEETING.
PHEW...


EVEN SOMEONE LIKE ME FEELS A LITTLE LONELY...
RUSTLE
U.. JUST A LITTLE...
WHOA...
HIS BACK.. IT'S SO WARM...
WHAT -- DID YOU COME HERE TO BE EATEN OF YOUR OWN FREE WILL?
TODAY, I FEEL RELIEVED THAT HE'S HERE...
I KNOW HE'S NOT HUMAN. AND USES ME LIKE A SLAVE... BUT...


THAT'S ODD --- HE USUALLY BARK'S ORDERS AT ME AS SOON AS I SET FOOT IN THE DOOR...
OH...
SILENCE
I.. I'M HOME.
KACHAK
ON A DAY LIKE THIS...
IT'S REALLY ODD...
FOR HIM TO BE OUT OF THE WATER...
IS HE BATHING IN THE MOONLIGHT?


WHAT?!
I GUESS THERE'S NOTHING ELSE TO DO, THEN...
SNIFF くん♪
YOU SMELL LIKE THE SEA.
OH... MY TEARS FROM EARLIER...?
W...WAIT -- WHERE...?
PLEASE, PUT ME DOWN--!
U... UMP!
I DON'T DO THIS VERY OFTEN 'CAUSE IT TIRES ME OUT.
THE BATH...?
HUH?
SPLASH
BUT TREAT YOU TO SOMETHING SPECIAL.

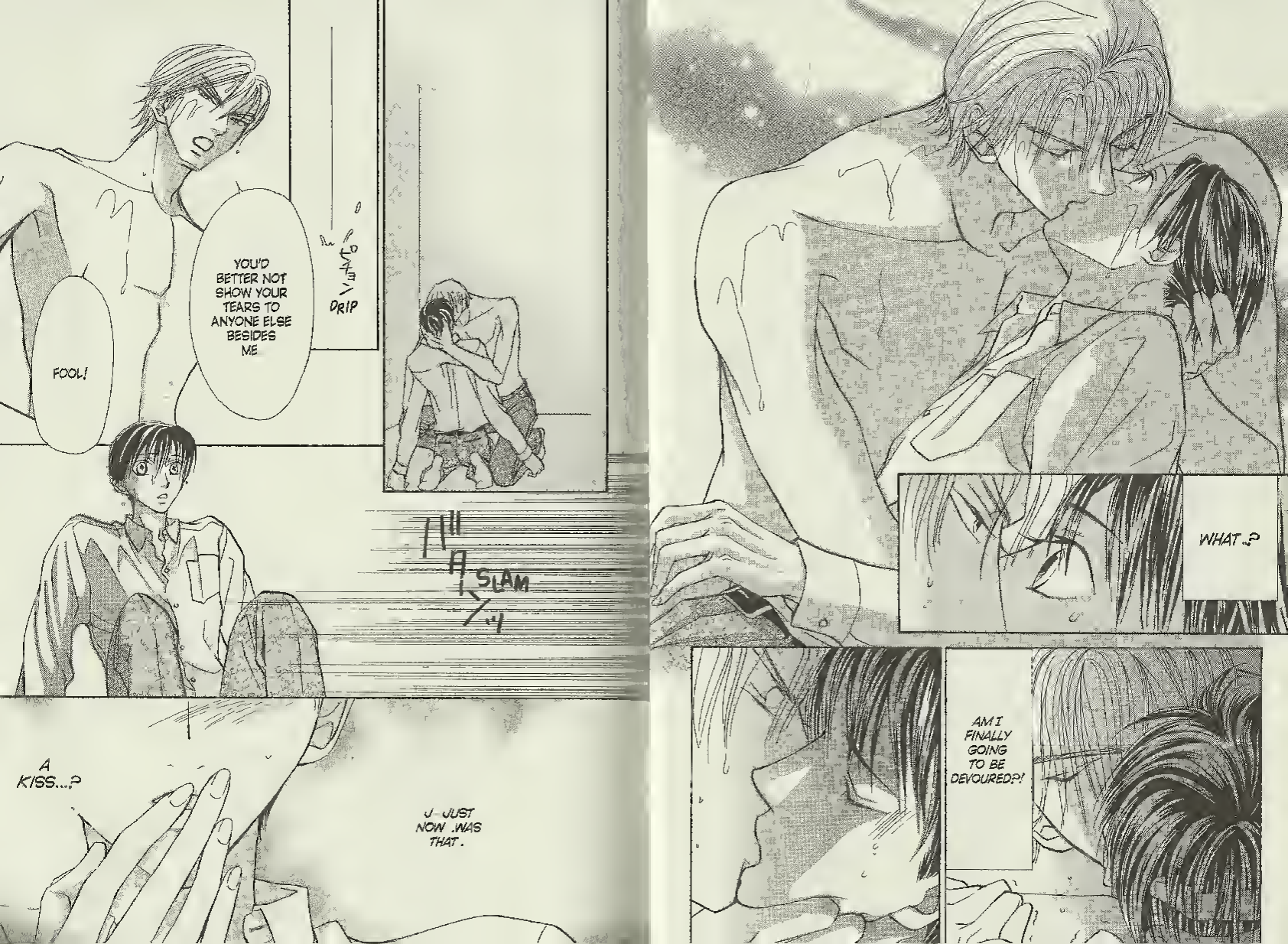

I'M SORRY!
N...NO, NO -- THAT'S NOT IT!
GRAB
HEY, DON'T BE SO SHY.
WELL?
EEEEP!
PINCH
LET'S SEE -- WHERE SHOULD I START EATING?
HUH...?
YOU'VE BEEN CRYING, HAVEN'T YOU?
THE EAR?
EEK!
CLAMP!

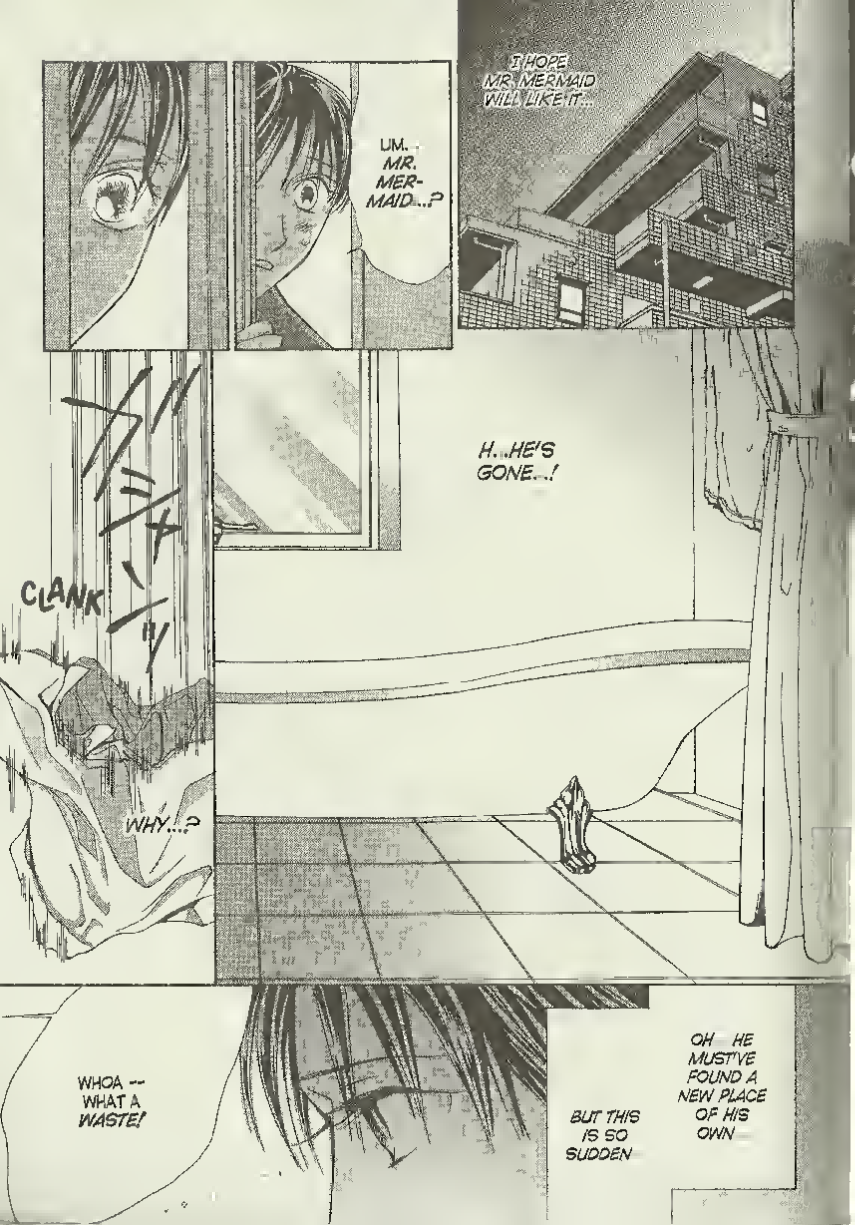

COULD IT BE...
THIS MAN --?
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT..
THAT HE'S TRYING TO CHEER ME UP...?
CAN'T SWIM...!
HEY?!
DLORP
BUT I...
YOU
HEY...!
NN
HEY!
TOO BAD. JUST WHEN HE WAS BEING SO KIND TO ME..

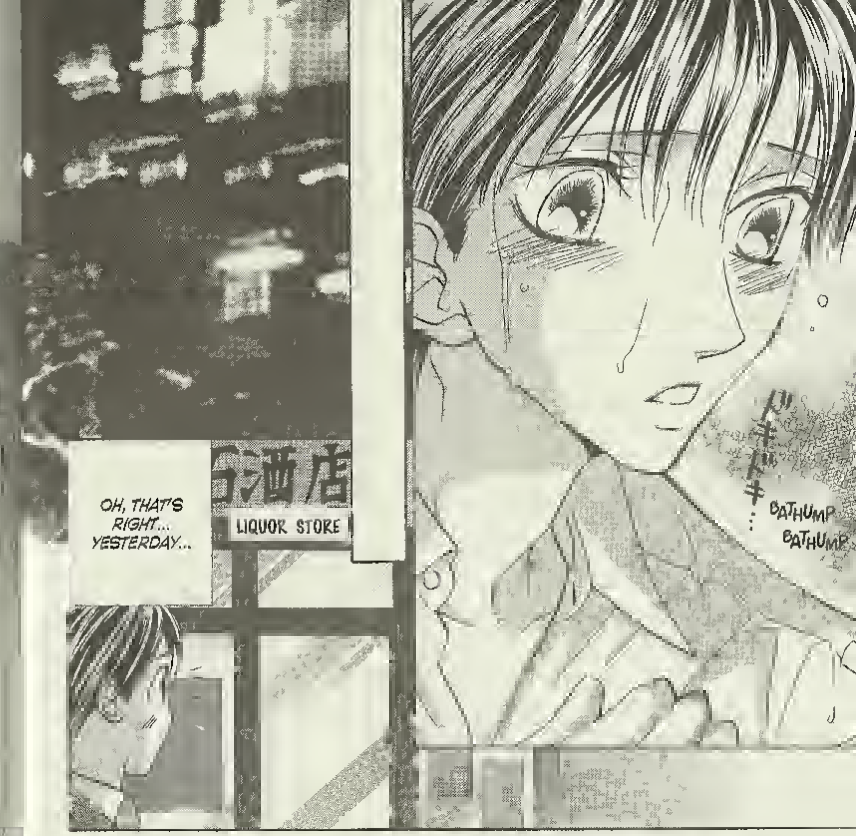
SPLOOSH
WHAT?!
NO WAY...!
IS THIS A MERMAID'S MAGICAL POWER...?
"I DON'T DO THIS VERY OFTEN 'CAUSE IT TIRES ME OUT!"

B... BUT, UM...
I'M SORRY...
KOFF
WHAT'S WITH YOU NOT BEING ABLE TO SWIM?
IT WAS WONDERFUL... AND SO PRETTY...
IT MADE ME REALLY HAPPY...

H-HUH? SO CLOSE...?
HEY!
GASP!
OH--THAT'S RIGHT -- I WAS DROWNING, AND...
!
BACK
KOFF

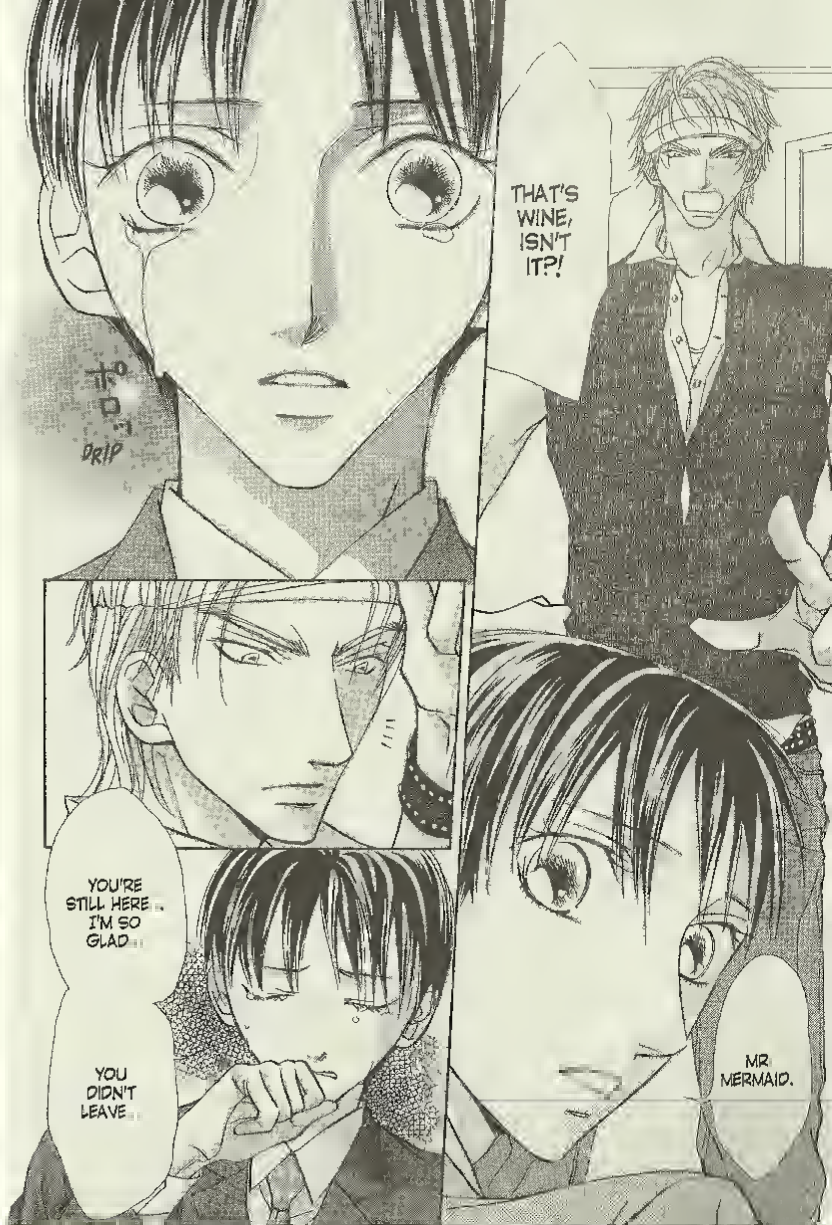

FOOL!
YOU'D BETTER NOT SHOW YOUR TEARS TO ANYONE ELSE BESIDES ME
DRIP
SLAM
A KISS...?
J- JUST NOW .WAS THAT.
WHAT..?
AM I FINALLY GOING TO BE DEVOURED?!


UM.. MR. MERMAID...?
I HOPE MR. MERMAID WILL LIKE IT..
H...HE'S GONE...!
CLANK
WHY...?
WHOA -- WHAT A WASTE!
BUT THIS IS SO SUDDEN
OH HE MUST'VE FOUND A NEW PLACE OF HIS OWN


LIQUOR STORE
OH, THAT'S RIGHT... YESTERDAY...
BATHUMP BATHUMP

I I THINK THIS SHOULD BE OKAY.
IT'S A WELL KNOWN BRAND AND EXPENSIVE
KNOWS NOTHING! ABOUT LIQUOR
WELCOME!
I HAVEN'T THANKED HIM YET FOR CHEERING ME UP...

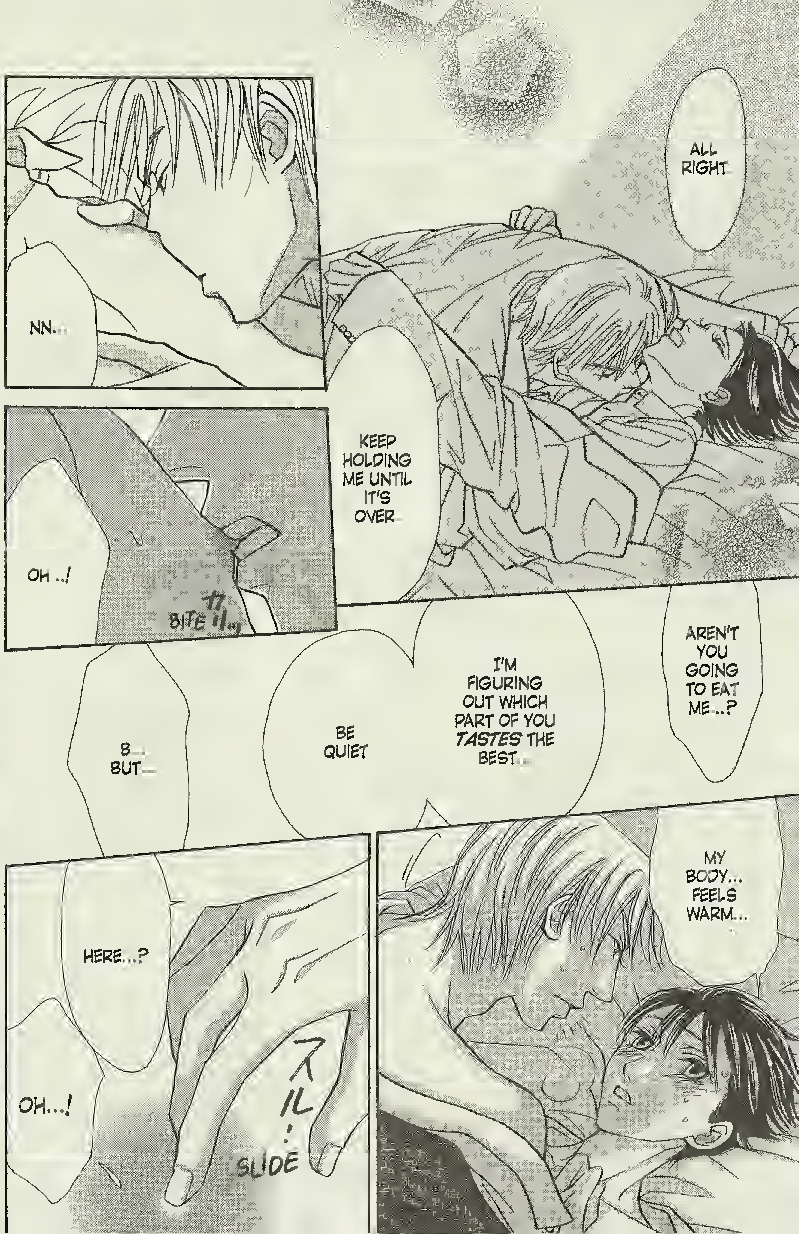
WHAT'S WITH YOU? YOU WERE SO SCARED OF ME BEFORE...
HAVE YOU FINALLY MADE UP YOUR MIND TO BE EATEN BY ME?
HEH! JUST KIDDING!
?
HIC
HIC
I MAY NOT TASTE VERY GOOD, BUT...
I DON'T KNOW... BUT. I GUESS I WOULDN'T *MIND* BEING EATEN ANYMORE...
YOU... CHEERED ME UP, SO...

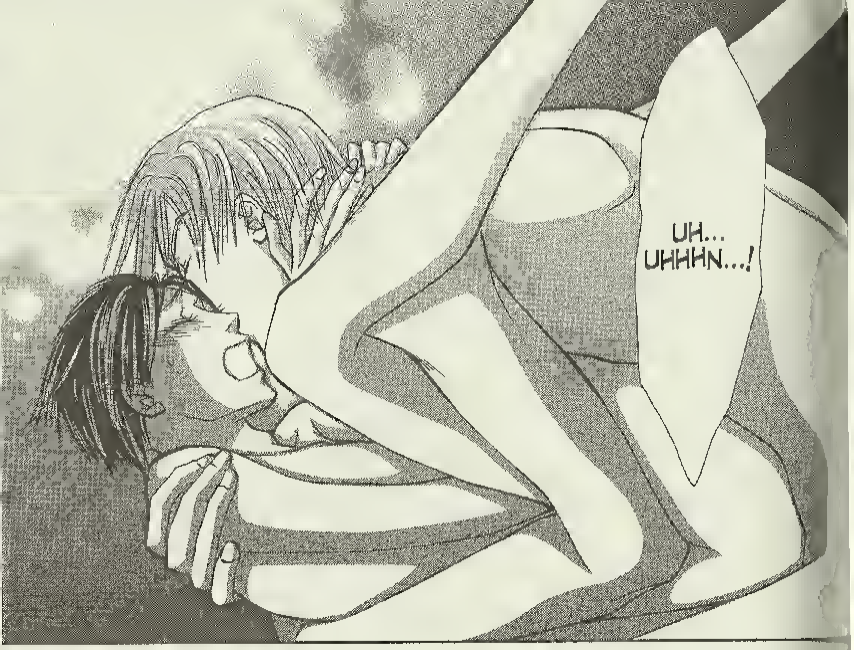

DRIP
THAT'S WINE, ISN'T IT?!
YOU'RE STILL HERE... I'M SO GLAD...
YOU DIDN'T LEAVE...
MR. MERMAID.

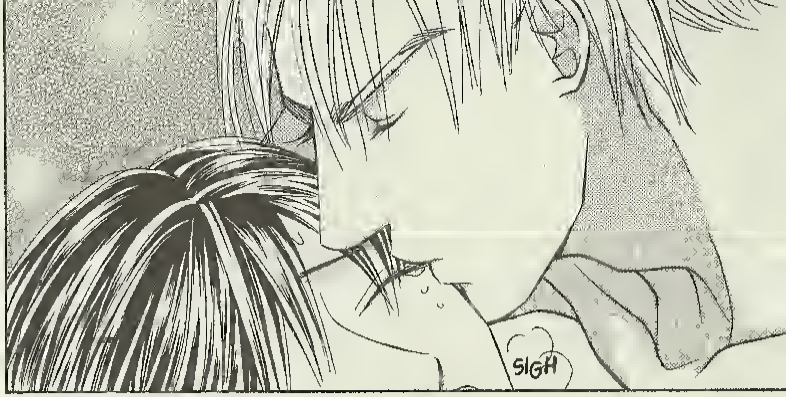
I... DON'T CARE WHERE YOU START...
BUT PLEASE LEAVE MY HANDS FOR LAST...
WHY?
YOUR HANDS?
UHN!
HERE?
THE FEEL OF YOUR BACK... IT'S COMFORTING TO ME...
I WANT TO HOLD IT UNTIL THE END...

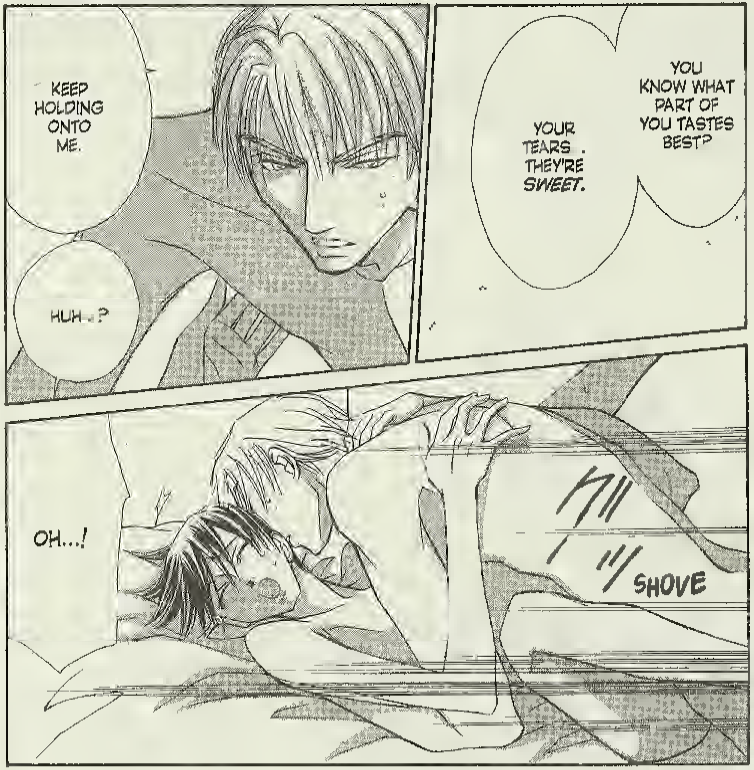
OH...!
!
GRAB
WHERE DO YOU WANT ME TO START EATING YOU?
I'LL LET YOU DECIDE
NN...
SHHF

WHAT ARE YOU..?!
!
SPREAD
UHH...!
TWITCH
TWITCH
OHH--!
DON'T...
NO... STOP...

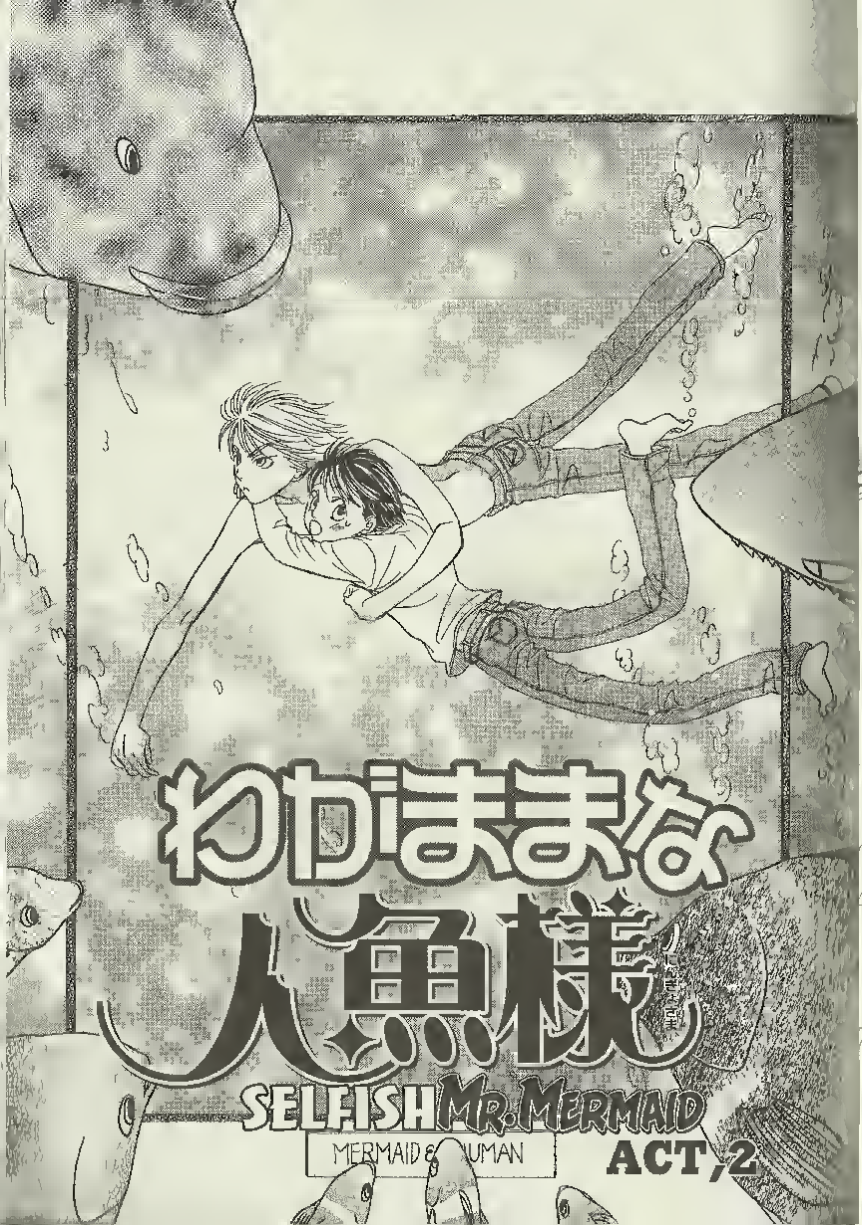

NN...
ALL RIGHT
KEEP HOLDING ME UNTIL IT'S OVER
OH..!
BITE
S... BUT...
BE QUIET
I'M FIGURING OUT WHICH PART OF YOU TASTES THE BEST...
AREN'T YOU GOING TO EAT ME...?
HERE...?
OH...!
SLIDE
MY BODY... FEELS WARM...


UH... UHHHN...!


SIGH


KEEP HOLDING ONTO ME.
HUH...?
YOUR TEARS. THEY'RE SWEET.
YOU KNOW WHAT PART OF YOU TASTES BEST?
OH...!
SHOVE

FOR AN ADULT, YOU'RE PRETTY NAIVE TO BELIEVE ALL THAT.
YES...
BLUSH
OF COURSE!
MERMAIDS ARE GOURMANDS.
SO HERE I STILL AM, UNEATEN AND ALIVE.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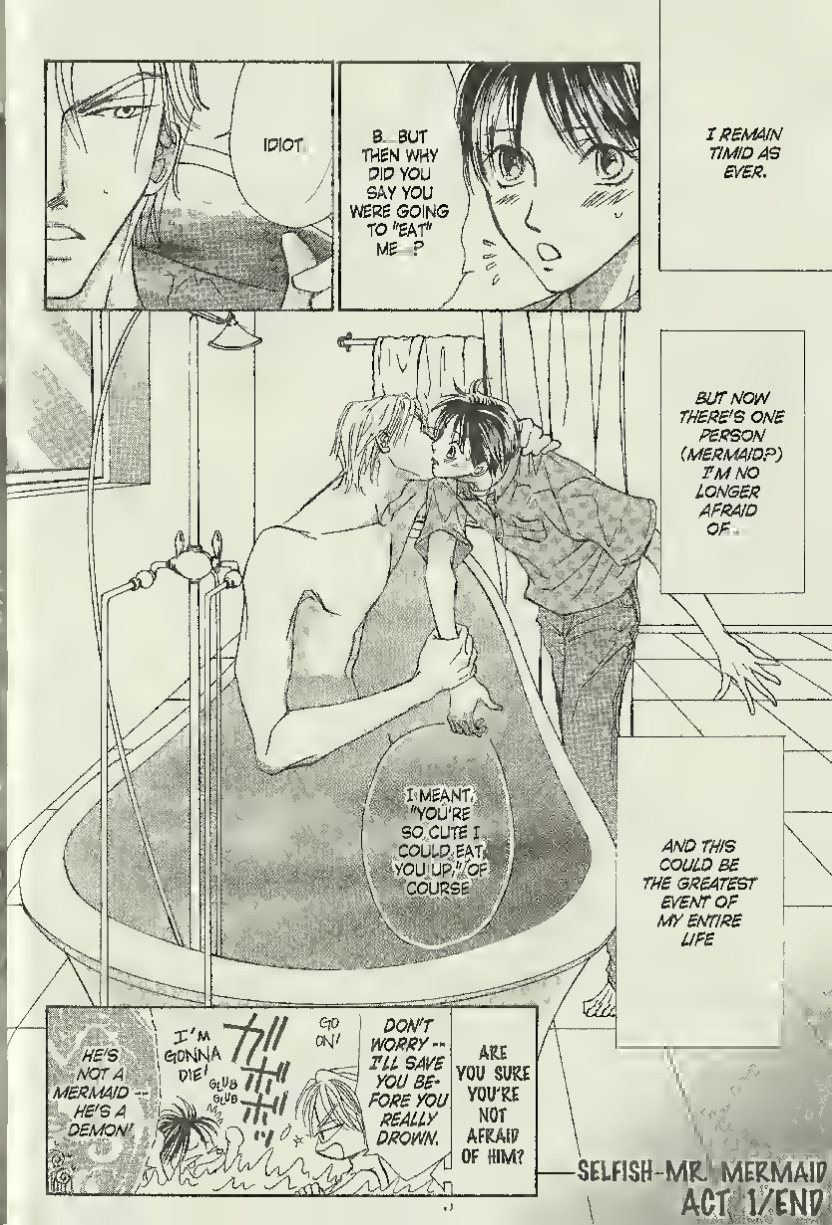
MERMAID & HUMAN
ACT.2


IDIOT.
B...BUT THEN WHY DID YOU SAY YOU WERE GOING TO "EAT" ME...?
I REMAIN TIMID AS EVER.
BUT NOW THERE'S ONE PERSON (MERMAID?) I'M NO LONGER AFRAID OF...
I MEANT, "YOU'RE SO CUTE I COULD EAT YOU UP," OF COURSE
AND THIS COULD BE THE GREATEST EVENT OF MY ENTIRE LIFE
HE'S NOT A MERMAID -- HE'S A DEMON!
I'M GONNA DIE!
GLUB GLUB
GO ON!
DON'T WORRY -- I'LL SAVE YOU BEFORE YOU REALLY DROWN.
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE NOT AFRAID OF HIM?

IS, OF ALL THINGS, A MER-MAID! WHICH IS WHY HE'S IN THE BATHTUB ALL DAY
FOOD!
Y... YES, RIGHT AWAY..
G... GOOD MORNING.
THIS PROUD AND ARROGANT MAN THAT I HAPPEN TO BE ROOMING WITH...

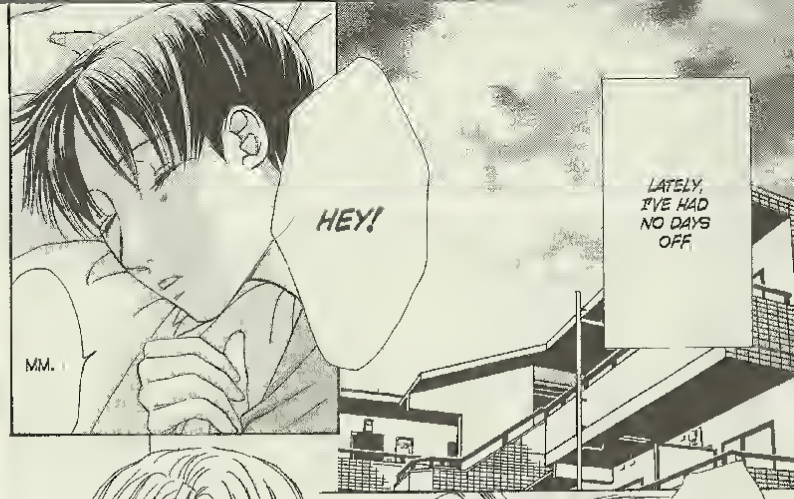
I'M AWARE THAT, DESPITE HIS OUTWARD GRUFFNESS, HE'S ACTUALLY VERY KIND.
BLUSH

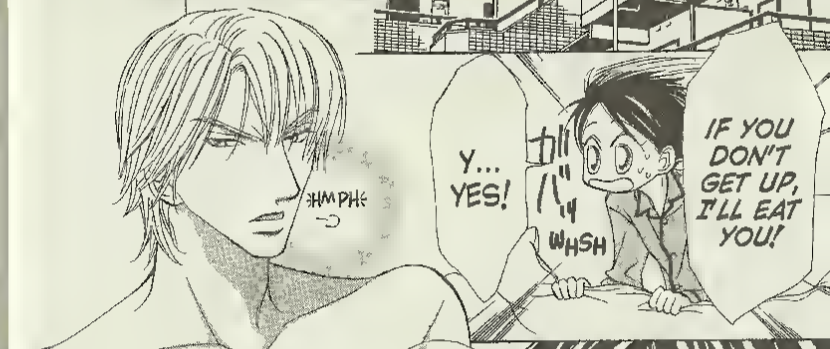
HERE I AM IN THE PRESENT...
FROM THE MOMENT I MET HIM, I'VE HAD NOTHING BUT ORDERS BARK'ED AT ME.
BUT...

UM... MR. MERMAID?

OH.

AH
IT'S READY.


HEY!
MM.
LATELY, I'VE HAD NO DAYS OFF

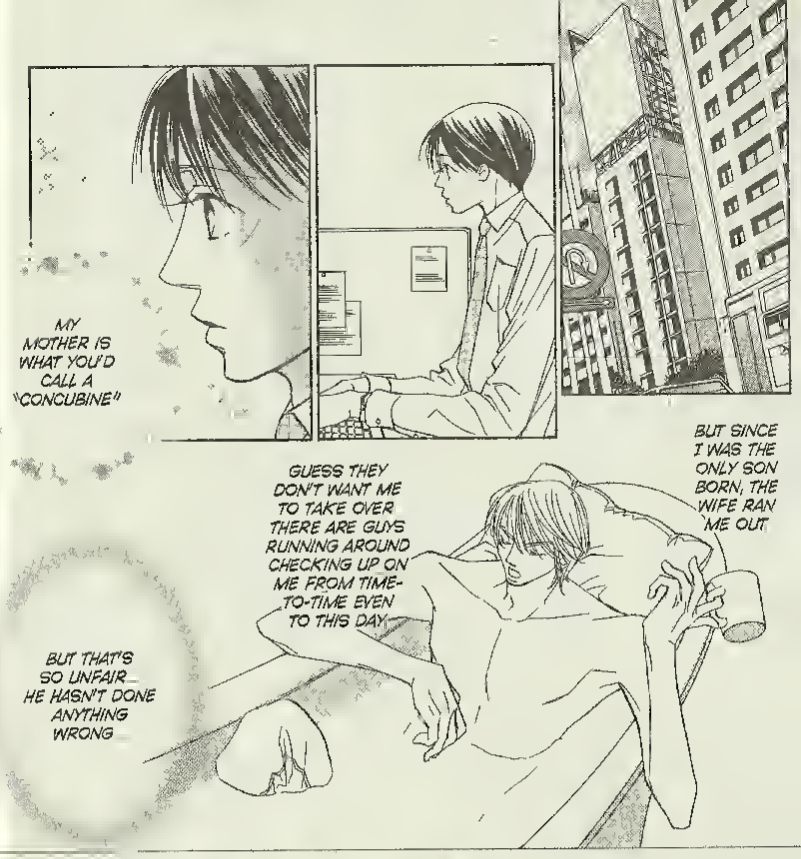

HMPH
Y... YES!
WHSH
IF YOU DON'T GET UP, I'LL EAT YOU!

DUMB AS EVER, I SEE
YOU STILL BELIEVE MERMAIDS REALLY EAT HUMANS?

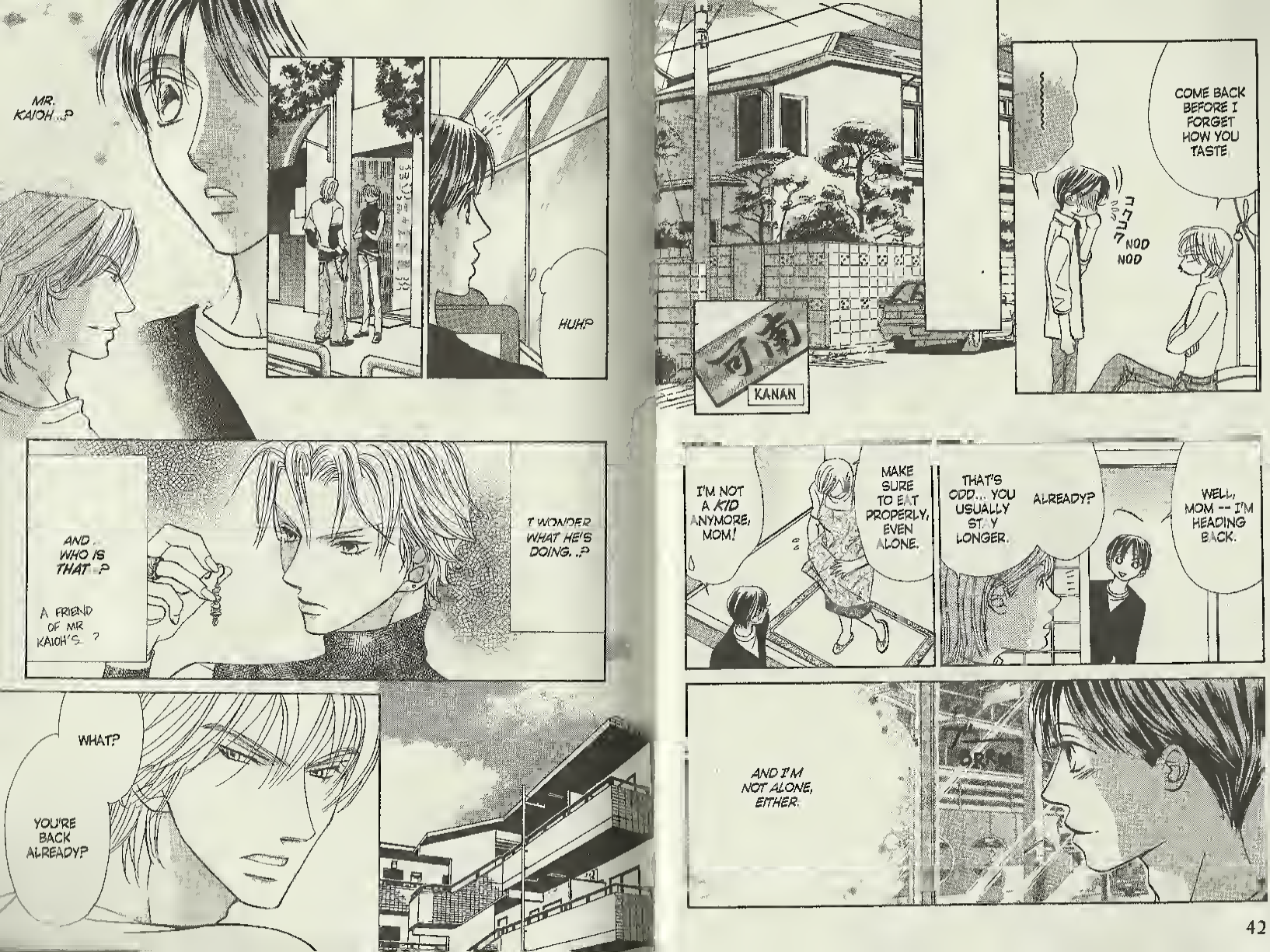
W...WHAT ABOUT YOUR FAMILY, MR KAIOH...?
HMPH
...?
MR KAIOH...?
THEN... ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE HIS PLACE SOME DAY?
MY OLD MAN IS THE KING OF OUR PEOPLE.

UM...
YANK
!
CALL ME BY MY NAME I TOLD YOU WHAT IT IS LAST NIGHT, DIDN'T I?
IN BED
Y...YES... WE'RE IN THAT KIND OF RELATIONSHIP...
HM!
U...UM... MR. KAIOH...
HUH? OH, YES -- PARENTS, A GRAND-FATHER, AND ONE OLDER SISTER.
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM
YOU HAVE FAMILY?
I HAVE TO RETURN TO MY FAMILY HOME FOR THE WEEKEND...

HUH?
JUST COME HERE.
CROOK CROOK
C'MERE A SECOND FIRST.
WELL, I GUESS I'LL BE OFF.
UM...
D...DID I DO SOMETHING WRONG?
U...UM...?
PUNCH
KISS


MY MOTHER IS WHAT YOU'D CALL A "CONCUBINE"
GUESS THEY DON'T WANT ME TO TAKE OVER THERE ARE GUYS RUNNING AROUND CHECKING UP ON ME FROM TIME-TO-TIME EVEN TO THIS DAY.
BUT SINCE I WAS THE ONLY SON BORN, THE WIFE RAN ME OUT.
BUT THAT'S SO UNFAIR... HE HASN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG...

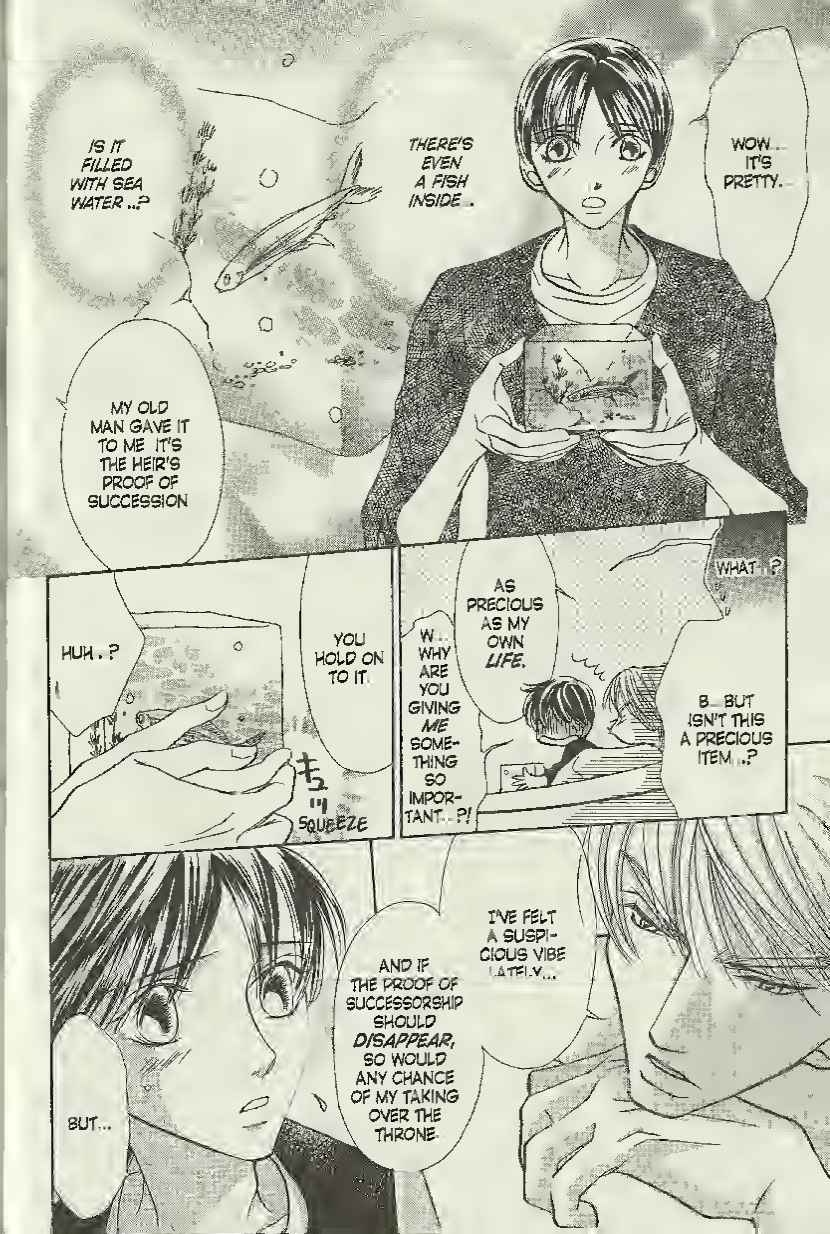
YOU'VE BEEN BULLY-ING HIM...?
I HAVEN'T EVEN STARTED BULLYING YOU YET TODAY.
I'LL TRY TO OVERLOOK HIS FLAWS AS MUCH AS I CAN...
I FEEL SORRY FOR HIM
MAYBE THAT'S WHY HIS PERSONALITY IS THE WAY IT IS...?
SOB

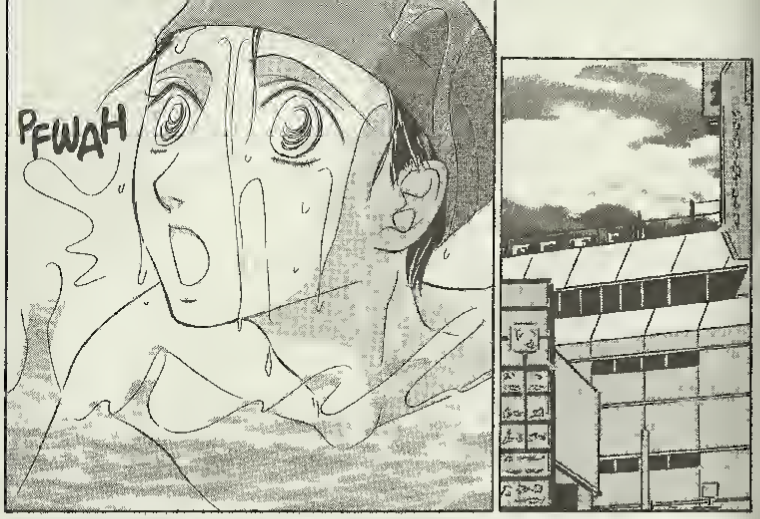

MR. KAIOH...?
HUH?
AND... WHO IS THAT...?
A FRIEND OF MR KAIOH'S...?
I WONDER WHAT HE'S DOING...?
WHAT?
YOU'RE BACK ALREADY?
KANAN
COME BACK BEFORE I FORGET HOW YOU TASTE.
NOD NOD
I'M NOT A KID ANYMORE, MOM!
MAKE SURE TO EAT PROPERLY, EVEN ALONE.
THAT'S ODD... YOU USUALLY STAY LONGER.
ALREADY?
WELL, MOM -- I'M HEADING BACK.
AND I'M NOT ALONE, EITHER.

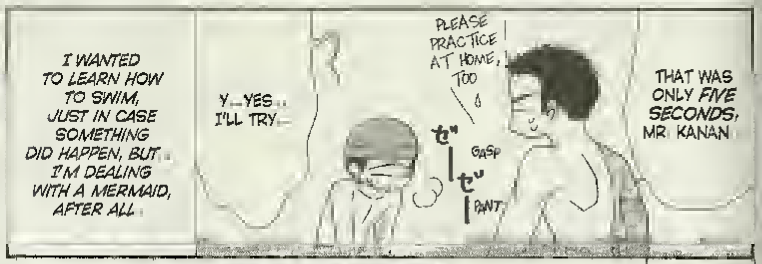
YOU JUST IMAGINED SOMETHING, DIDN'T YOU?
SPLASH
HUH?
OH... YES, I SUPPOSE THEY DO
I MAKE A LOT OF THINGS WITH 'EM AND SELL THEM AT THAT STORE. MERMAIDS NEED MONEY, TOO
I SHOWED YOU BEFORE, DIDN'T I? THE MERMAID'S PEARLS.
HEY, HOLD OUT YOUR HANDS.
HUH?

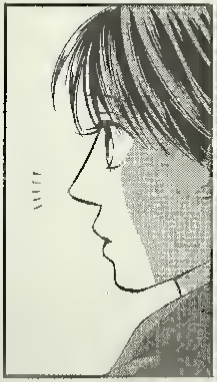
BY THE WAY... I SAW YOU IN TOWN ON MY WAY HOME, MR. KUJOH.
I GUESS I WAS ARROGANT TO THINK HE'D BE WAITING ANXIOUSLY FOR MY RETURN...
BLUSH
I SEE.
U- UH, YES... I HAVE WORK TO DO, SO...
DOOM
〈KANAN'S POOR IMAGINATION〉
I'VE GOT IT RIGHT HERE
THE MONEY?
PALE
WHAT...? YOU DON'T MEAN --?
I HAD BUSINESS THERE.
TRADING IN SHADY GOODS...?!
OH!
YANK

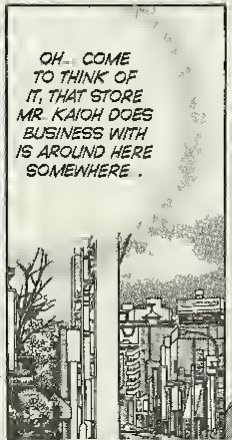
MR. KAIOH...!
I DON'T THINK IT'LL BE SAFE WITH ME, SO I'M GIVING IT TO YOU FOR SAFEKEEPING.
PLEASE.
TREAT IT AS YOU WOULD ME... AND TREASURE IT. DON'T YOU *DARE* BREAK IT!
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME...
HE'S SAID THAT TO ME...!
"PLEASE."
..OKAY.


IS IT FILLED WITH SEA WATER ..?
THERE'S EVEN A FISH INSIDE..
WOW... IT'S PRETTY.
MY OLD MAN GAVE IT TO ME. IT'S THE HEIR'S PROOF OF SUCCESSION
HUH..?
YOU HOLD ON TO IT.
SQUEEZE
W... WHY ARE YOU GIVING *ME* SOMETHING SO IMPORTANT..?!
AS PRECIOUS AS MY OWN *LIFE*.
WHAT..!?
B... BUT ISN'T THIS A PRECIOUS ITEM..?
BUT...
AND IF THE PROOF OF SUCCESSORSHIP SHOULD *DISAPPEAR*, SO WOULD ANY CHANCE OF MY TAKING OVER THE THRONE.
I'VE FELT A SUSPICIOUS VIBE LATELY...

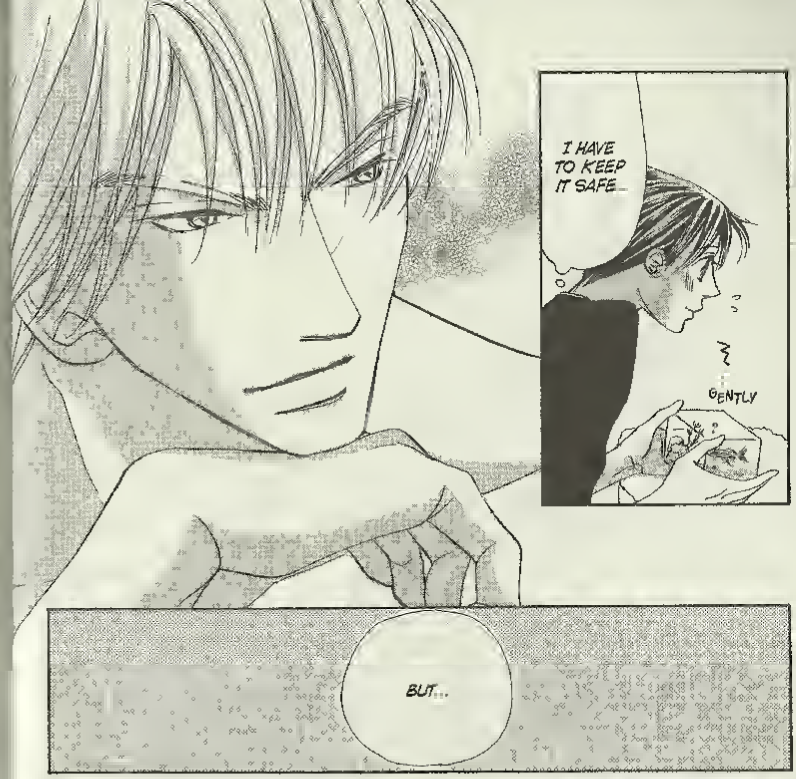

PFWAH

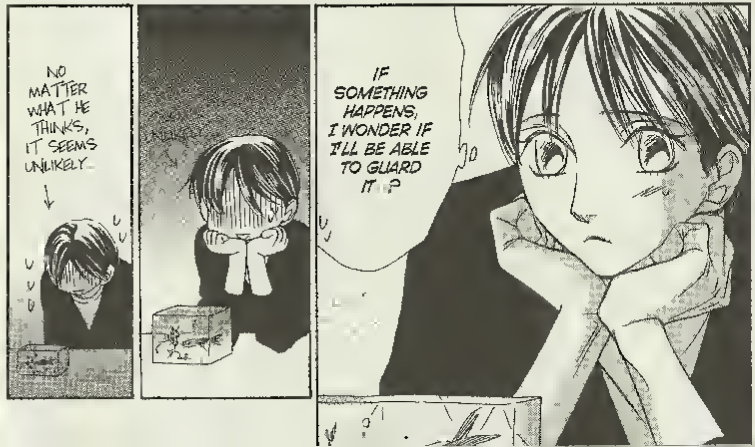

I WANTED TO LEARN HOW TO SWIM, JUST IN CASE SOMETHING DID HAPPEN, BUT I'M DEALING WITH A MERMAID, AFTER ALL.
Y...YES.. I'LL TRY...
PLEASE PRACTICE AT HOME, TOO
GASP
PANT
THAT WAS ONLY FIVE SECONDS, MR. KANAN.




OH... COME TO THINK OF IT, THAT STORE MR. KAIOH DOES BUSINESS WITH IS AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE.

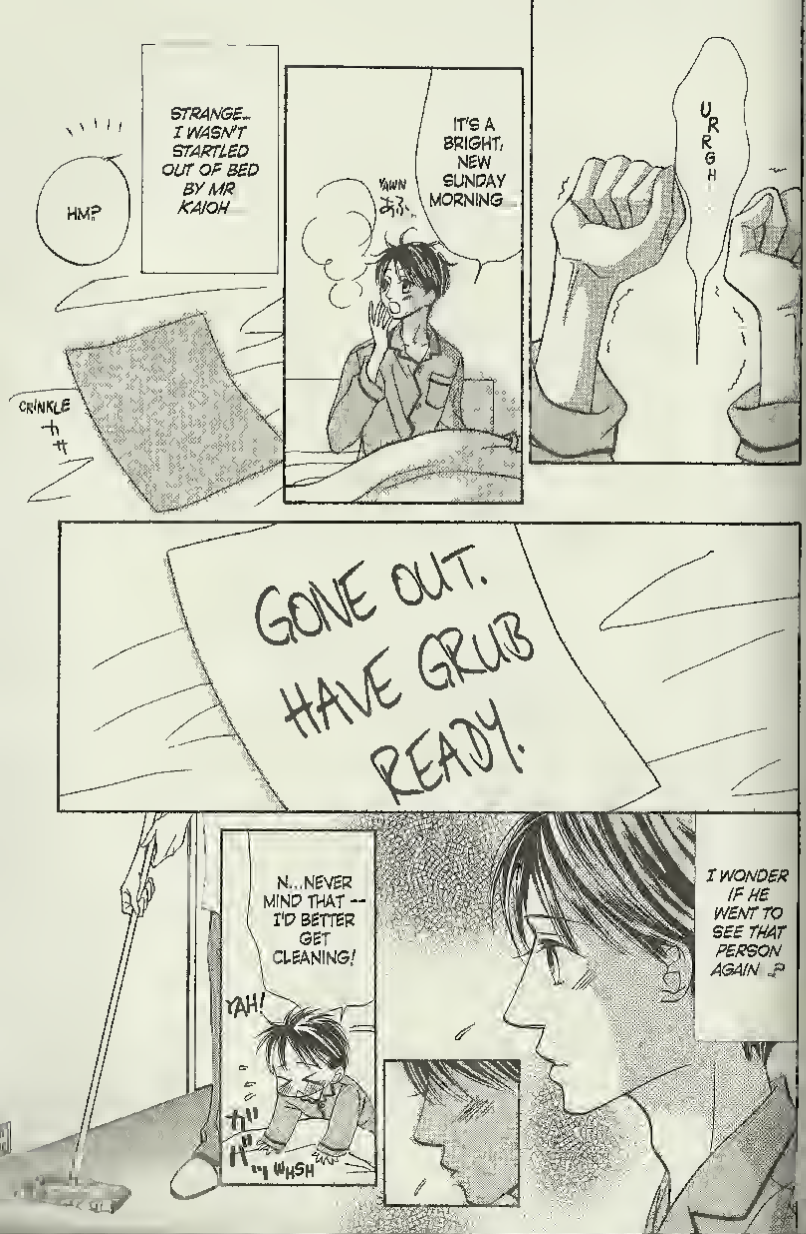
I'M INADEQUATE ON SO MANY LEVELS..
SIGH...

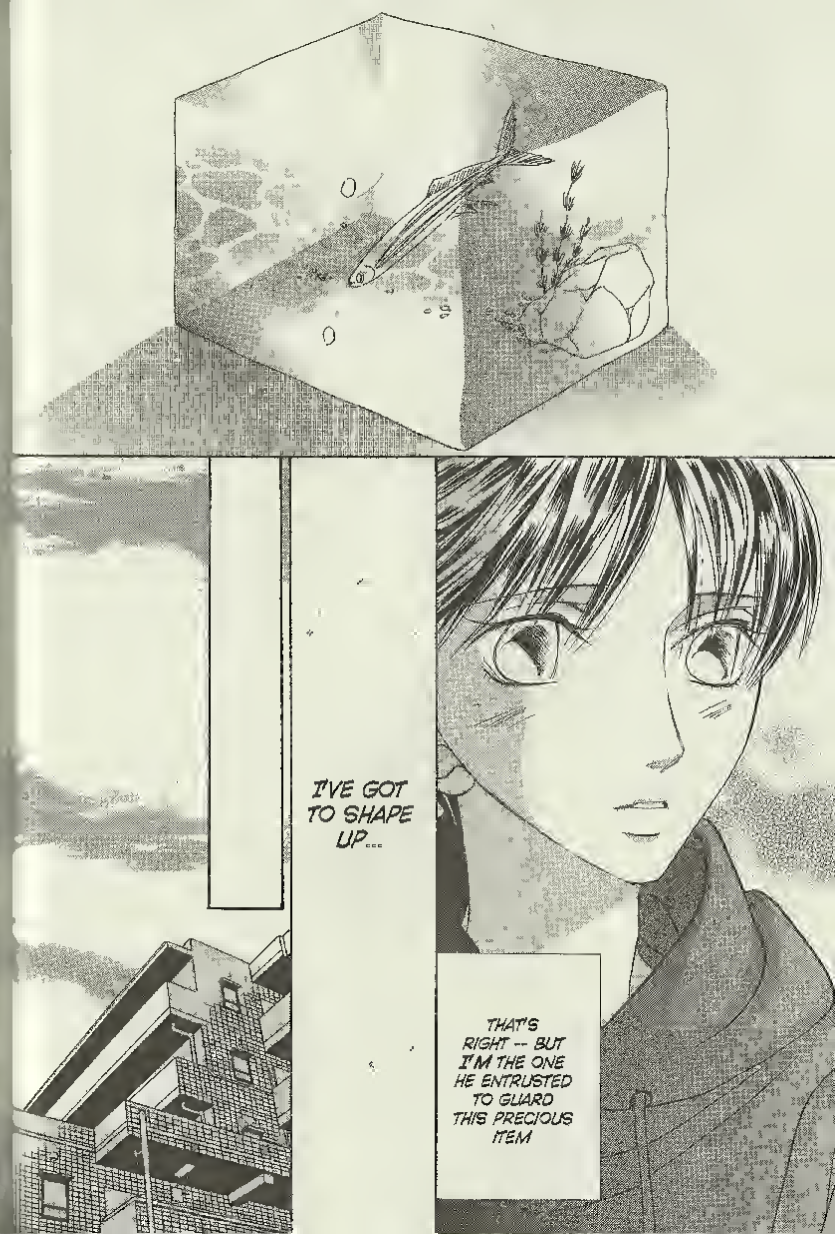

I HAVE TO KEEP IT SAFE...
GENTLY
BUT...

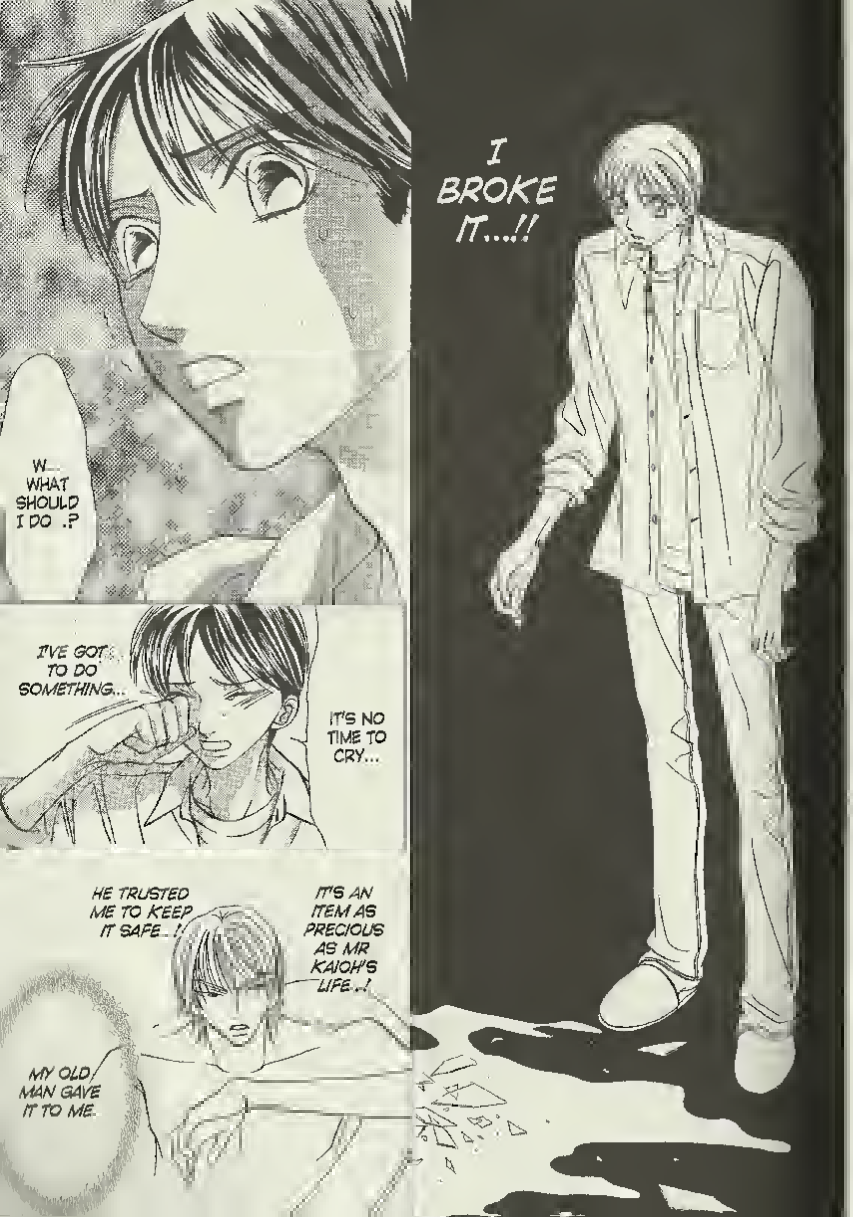

NO MATTER WHAT HE THINKS, IT SEEMS UNLIKELY...
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS, I WONDER IF I'LL BE ABLE TO GUARD IT...?

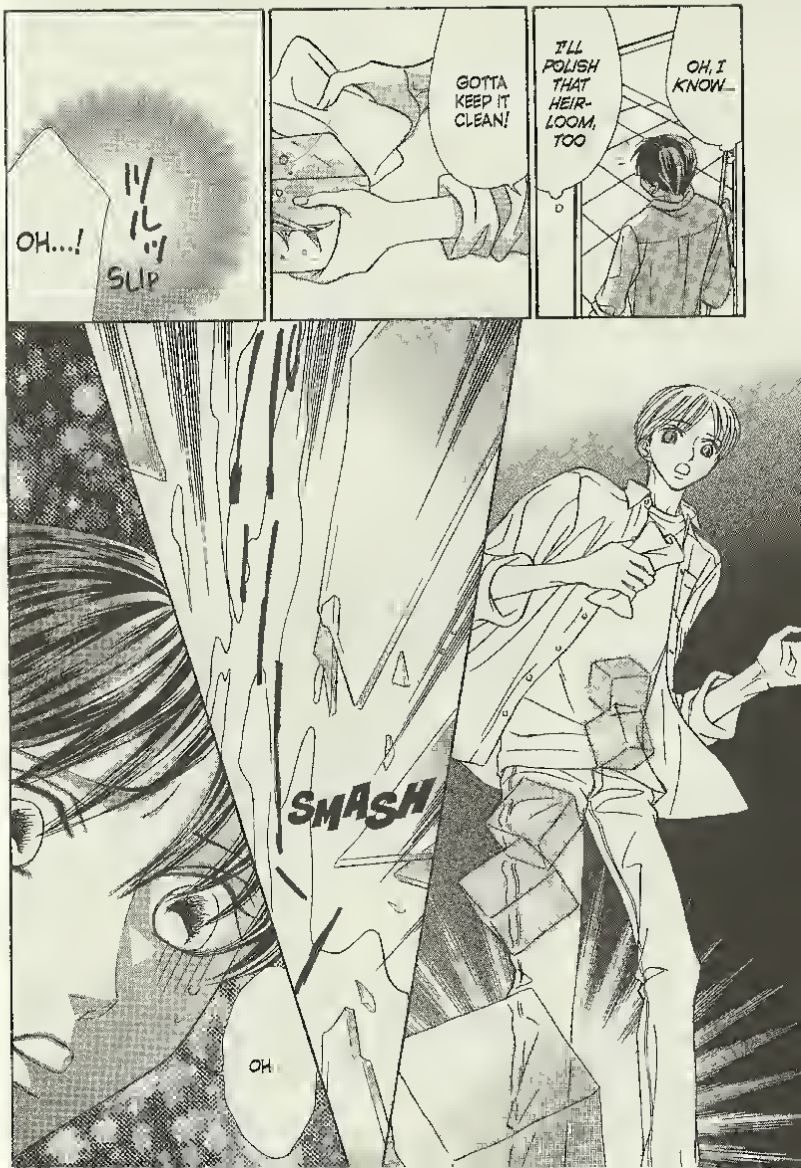
SO EVEN MR KAIOH MAKES FACES LIKE THAT...
IF HE DOES, THEN I'M COMPLETELY THE OPPOSITE!
I WONDER IF HE PREFERS SOMEONE MORE ASSERTIVE?

SLIP
I CAN'T HELP MYSELF...
PEEK
BONK
WHOA
MKES!


HM?
STRANGE... I WASN'T STARTLED OUT OF BED BY MR KAIOH
CRINKLE
YAWN
IT'S A BRIGHT, NEW SUNDAY MORNING
URGH
GONE OUT. HAVE GRUB READY.
N...NEVER MIND THAT -- I'D BETTER GET CLEANING!
YAH!
WHSH
I WONDER IF HE WENT TO SEE THAT PERSON AGAIN...?

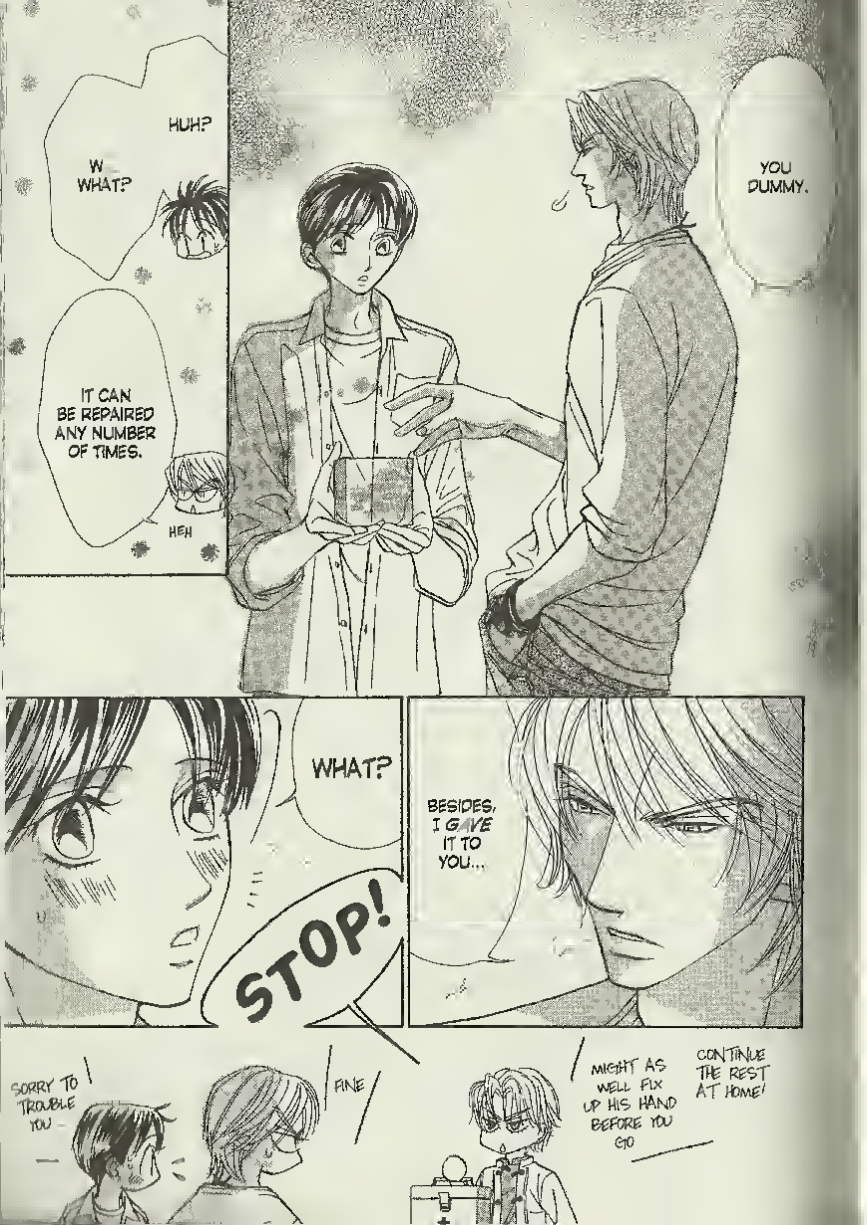

I'VE GOT TO SHAPE UP...
THAT'S RIGHT -- BUT I'M THE ONE HE ENTRUSTED TO GUARD THIS PRECIOUS ITEM


W... WHAT SHOULD I DO .?
I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING...
IT'S NO TIME TO CRY...
HE TRUSTED ME TO KEEP IT SAFE..!
IT'S AN ITEM AS PRECIOUS AS MR KAIOH'S LIFE..!
MY OLD MAN GAVE IT TO ME.
I BROKE IT...!!

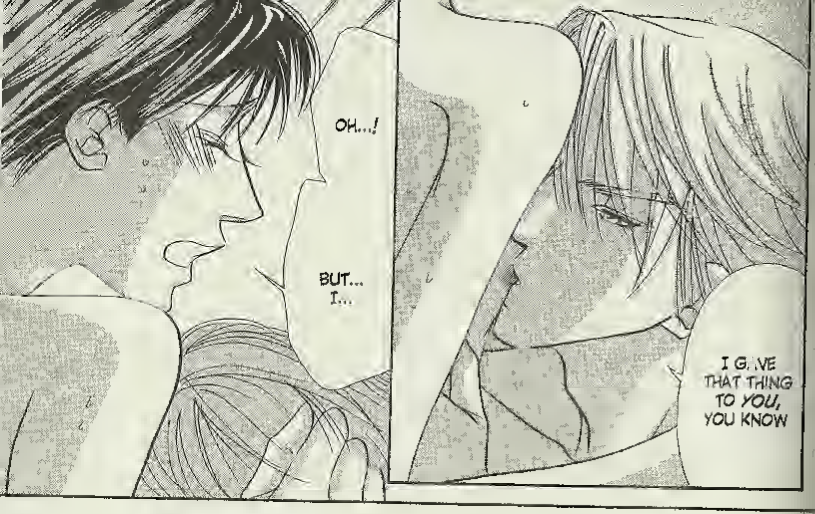

OH...!
SLIP
GOTTA KEEP IT CLEAN!
I'LL POLISH THAT HEIR-LOOM, TOO
OH, I KNOW...
SMASH
OH

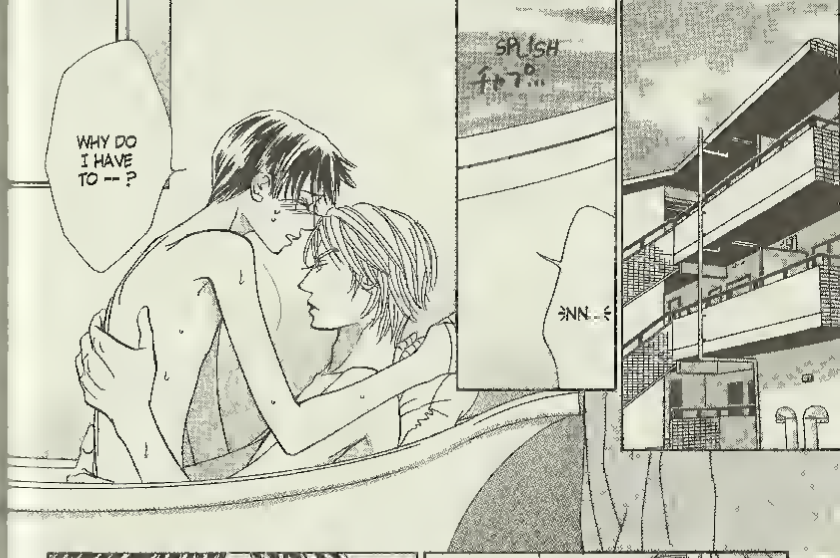
I...IS THERE ANY WAY TO REPAIR THIS? IT BELONGS TO MR. KAIOH.
YOU'RE KAIOH'S -- ?
UM... EXCUSE ME...
UGH... WHAT'S WITH ALL THE NOISE?
ズズッ
STOMP STOMP
JUST HURRY UP.
HEY! KAIOH!
H...HUH? HE'S HERE?

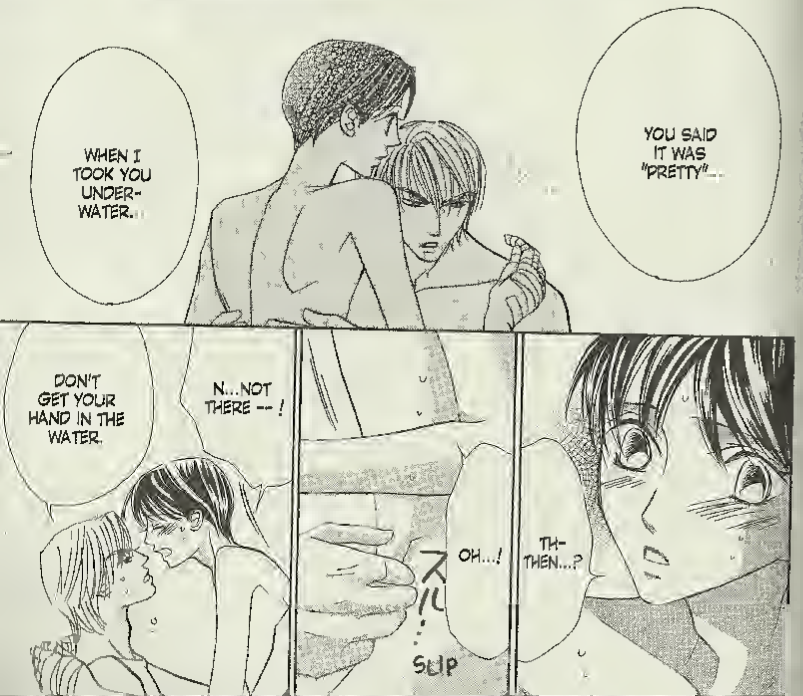
I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO RELY ON SOMEONE ELSE...
BUT THIS AFFECTS MR. KAIOH...!
THAT PERSON --
HOW CAN I TELL HIM...?
OH!
I'VE GOT TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES..!


HUH?
W-WHAT?
IT CAN BE REPAIRED ANY NUMBER OF TIMES.
HEH
YOU DUMMY.
WHAT?
STOP!
BESIDES, I GAVE IT TO YOU...
SORRY TO TROUBLE YOU--
FINE
MIGHT AS WELL FIX UP HIS HAND BEFORE YOU GO
CONTINUE THE REST AT HOME!

I...I'M SORRY... I'M SO SORRY!
I...
WHAT ARE YOU CRYING ABOUT NOW?
IT WAS PRECIOUS TO YOU. BUT I --
HIC
HIC
YOU ASKED ME TO KEEP IT SAFE.
TH-THIS...


OH...!
BUT... I...
I G..VE THAT THING TO YOU, YOU KNOW

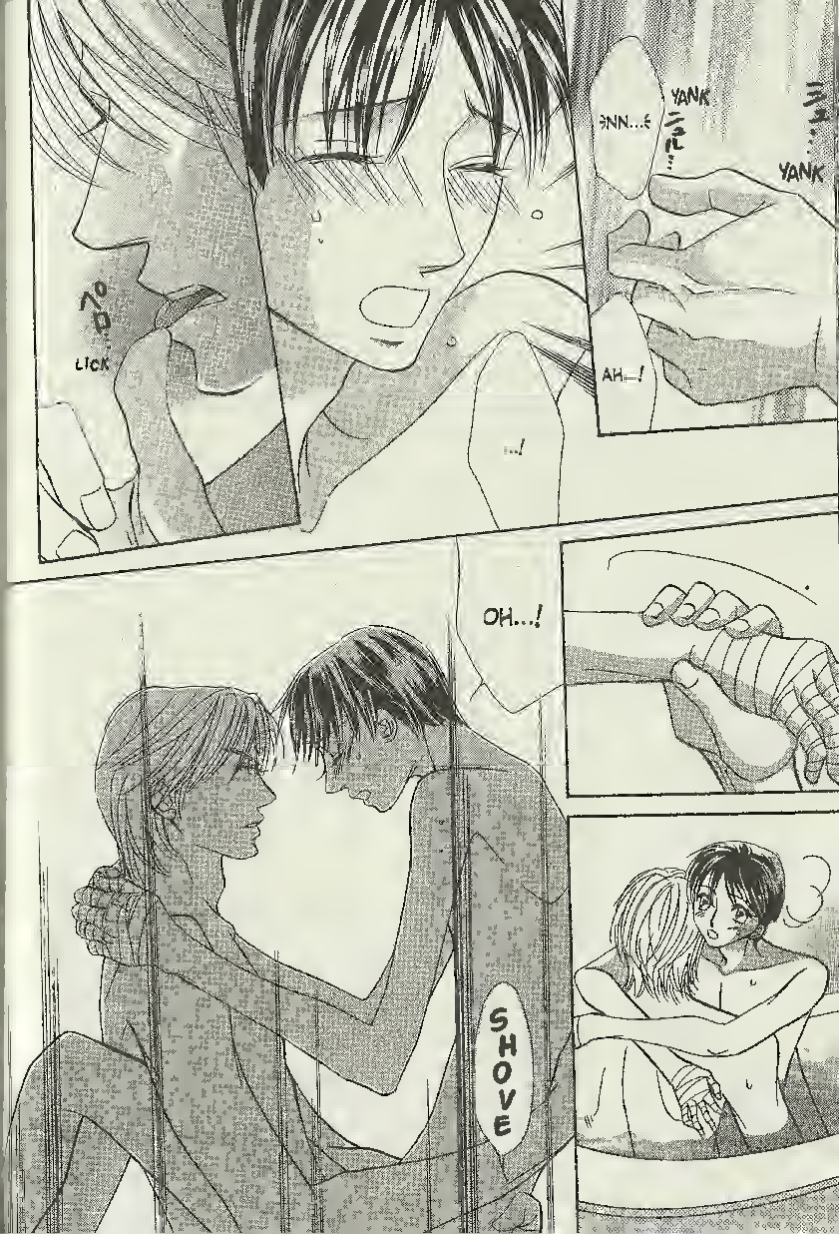

WHY DO I HAVE TO --?
SPLISH
NN..

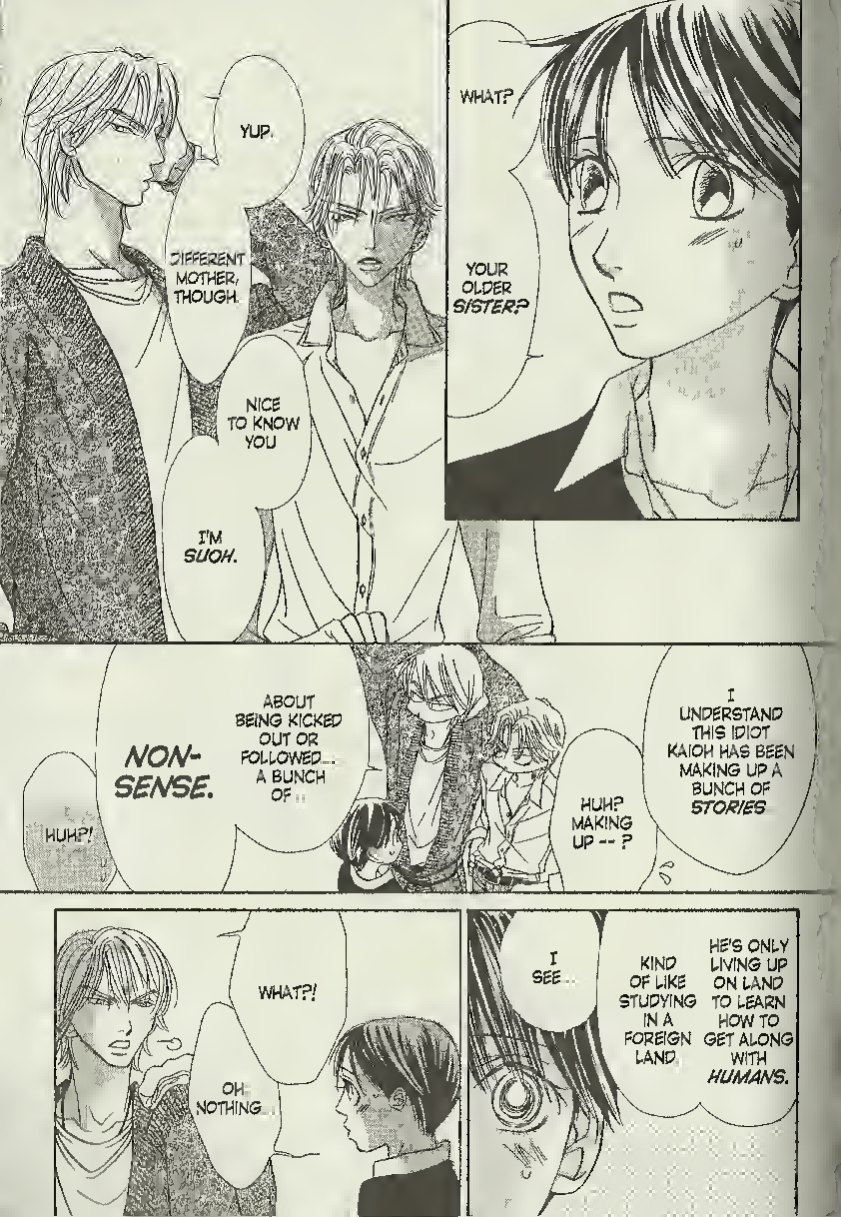

WHEN I TOOK YOU UNDER-WATER..
YOU SAID IT WAS "PRETTY"...
DON'T GET YOUR HAND IN THE WATER.
N...NOT THERE --!
OH...!
TH-THEN...?
SLIP

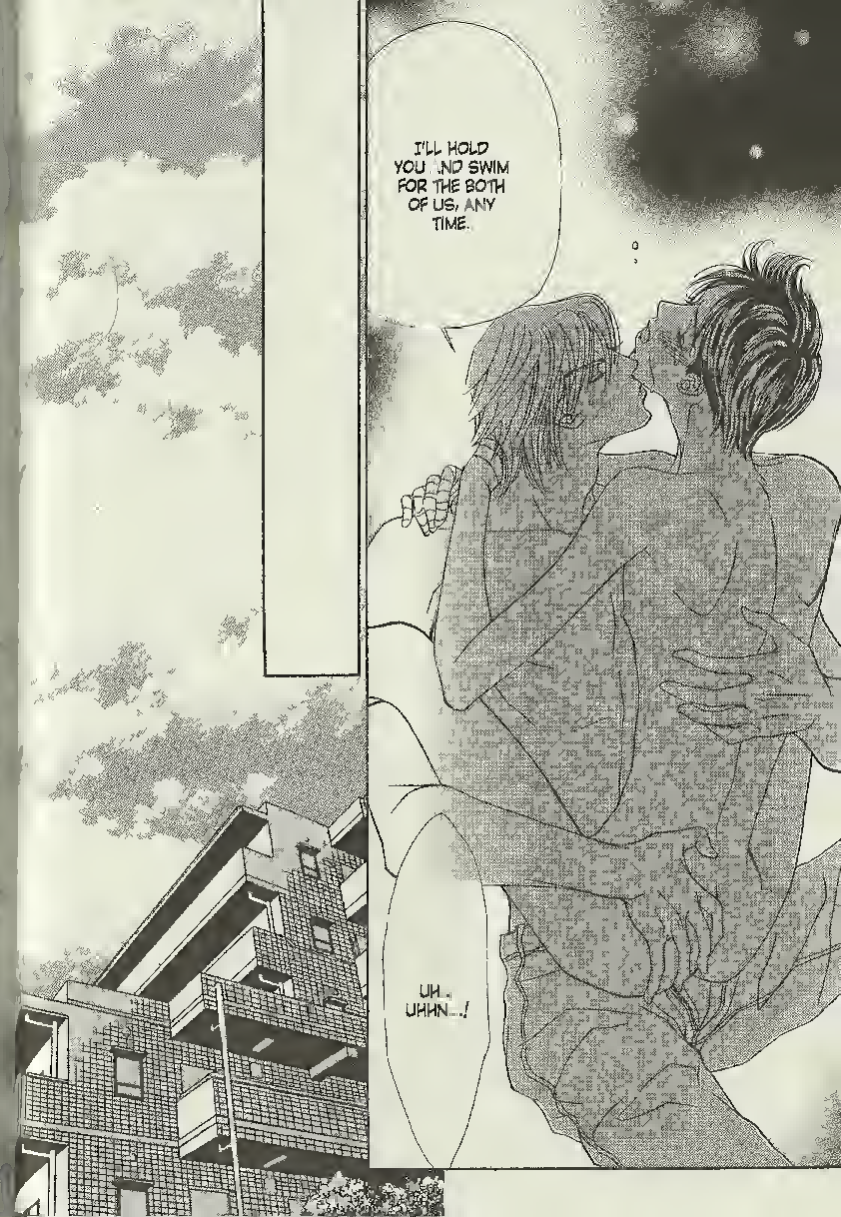
BUT I...

YOU CAN'T TAKE A PROPER BATH WITH THAT HAND, CAN YOU?

OH..
OH...!
OH...!
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU CAN'T SWIM...
JUST HANG ON TO ME.


LICK
AH...!
YANK
YANK
OH...!
SHOVE


YUP.
DIFFERENT MOTHER, THOUGH.
NICE TO KNOW YOU
I'M SUOH.
WHAT?
YOUR OLDER SISTER?
NON-SENSE.
ABOUT BEING KICKED OUT OR FOLLOWED... A BUNCH OF...
HUH?!
HUH? MAKING UP -- ?
I UNDERSTAND THIS IDIOT KAIOH HAS BEEN MAKING UP A BUNCH OF STORIES
WHAT?!
OH. NOTHING...
I SEE...
KIND OF LIKE STUDYING IN A FOREIGN LAND.
HE'S ONLY LIVING UP ON LAND TO LEARN HOW TO GET ALONG WITH HUMANS.


I'LL HOLD YOU .ND SWIM FOR THE BOTH OF US, ANY TIME.
UH. UHHN...!

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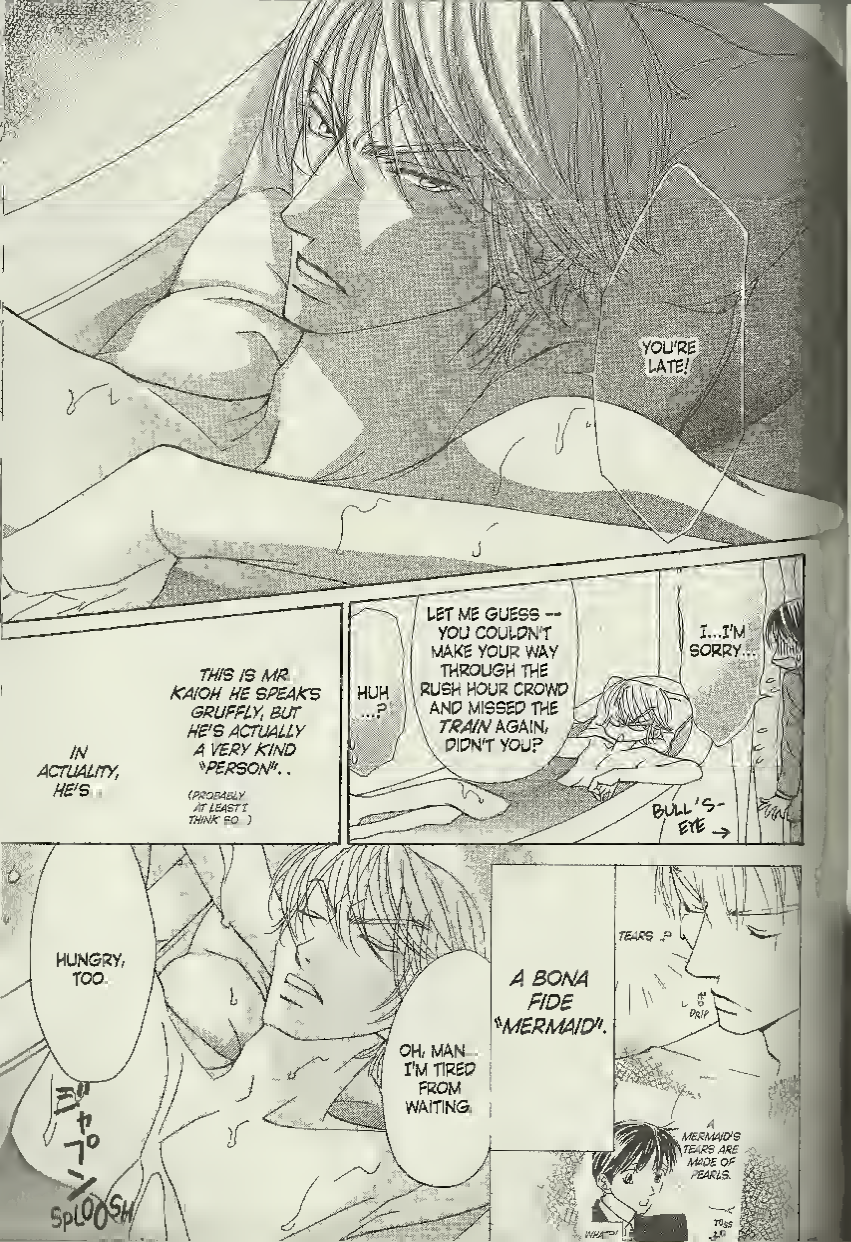
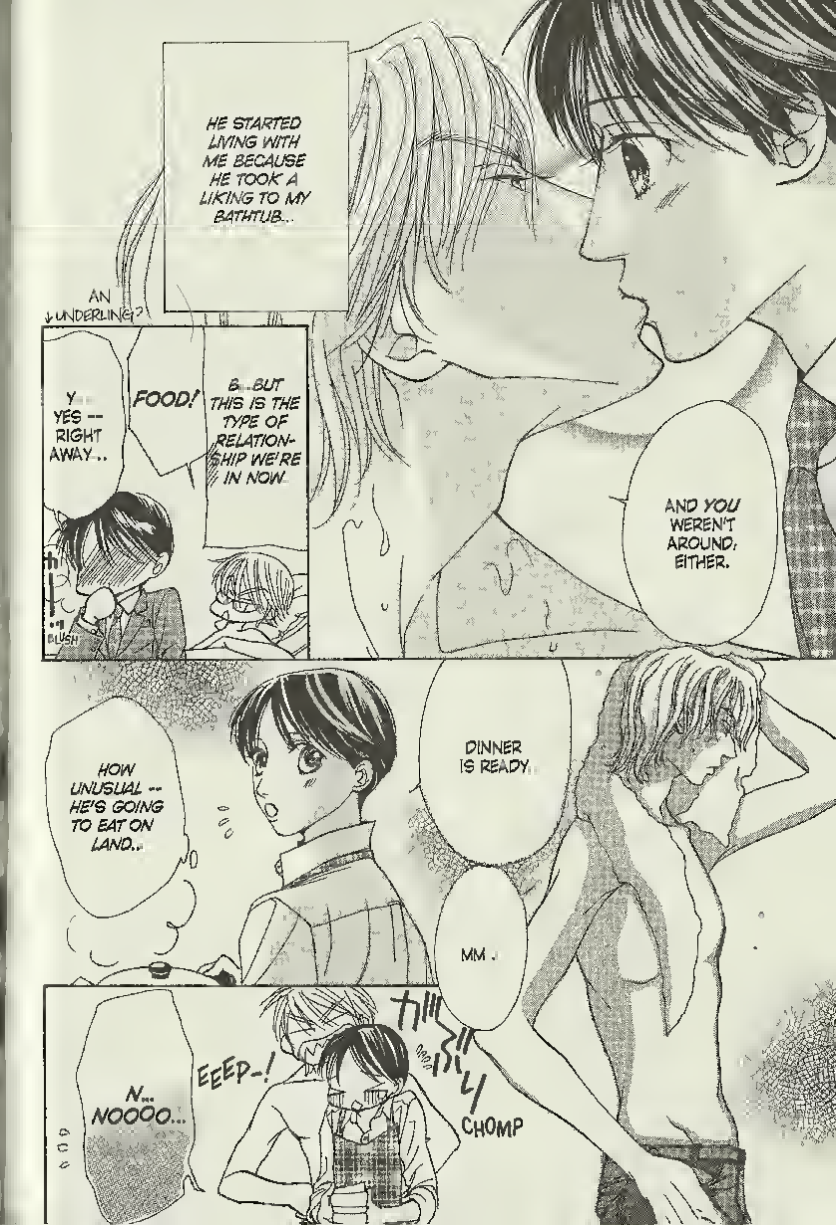
人魚様
SELFISH
MR. MERMAID
ACT.3

WH... WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN??
IT'S YOUR FAULT FOR BEING SO CUTE!
MR. KAIOH IS LIKE A JACK-IN-THE-BOX -- I NEVER KNOW WHEN HE'S GOING TO SPRING ON ME NEXT, AND I'M ALWAYS EXPERIENCING SOMETHING NEW WITH HIM
BUT A MERMAID'S LOVE IS HARD TO UNDER-STAND...
UUUUU
RIGHT?!
YEAH, I CAN SEE THAT. I ALSO UNDER-STAND WHY YOU CONSTANTLY WANT TO COME OVER AND BRAG ABOUT YOUR SAPPY LOVE-LIFE.
HE MAKES ME WANT TO ROLL HIM AROUND ON THE PALM OF MY HAND, YOU KNOW?


YOU'RE LATE!
IN ACTUALITY, HE'S
THIS IS MR. KAIOH. HE SPEAK'S GRUFFLY, BUT HE'S ACTUALLY A VERY KIND "PERSON"..
(PROBABLY. AT LEAST I THINK SO...)
HUH ...?
LET ME GUESS -- YOU COULDN'T MAKE YOUR WAY THROUGH THE RUSH HOUR CROWD AND MISSED THE TRAIN AGAIN, DIDN'T YOU?
I...I'M SORRY...
BULL'S-EYE
HUNGRY, TOO.
SPLOOSH
OH, MAN... I'M TIRED FROM WAITING.
A BONA FIDE "MERMAID".
TEARS ..?
DRIP
A MERMAID'S TEARS ARE MADE OF PEARLS.
WHAT?
TOSS

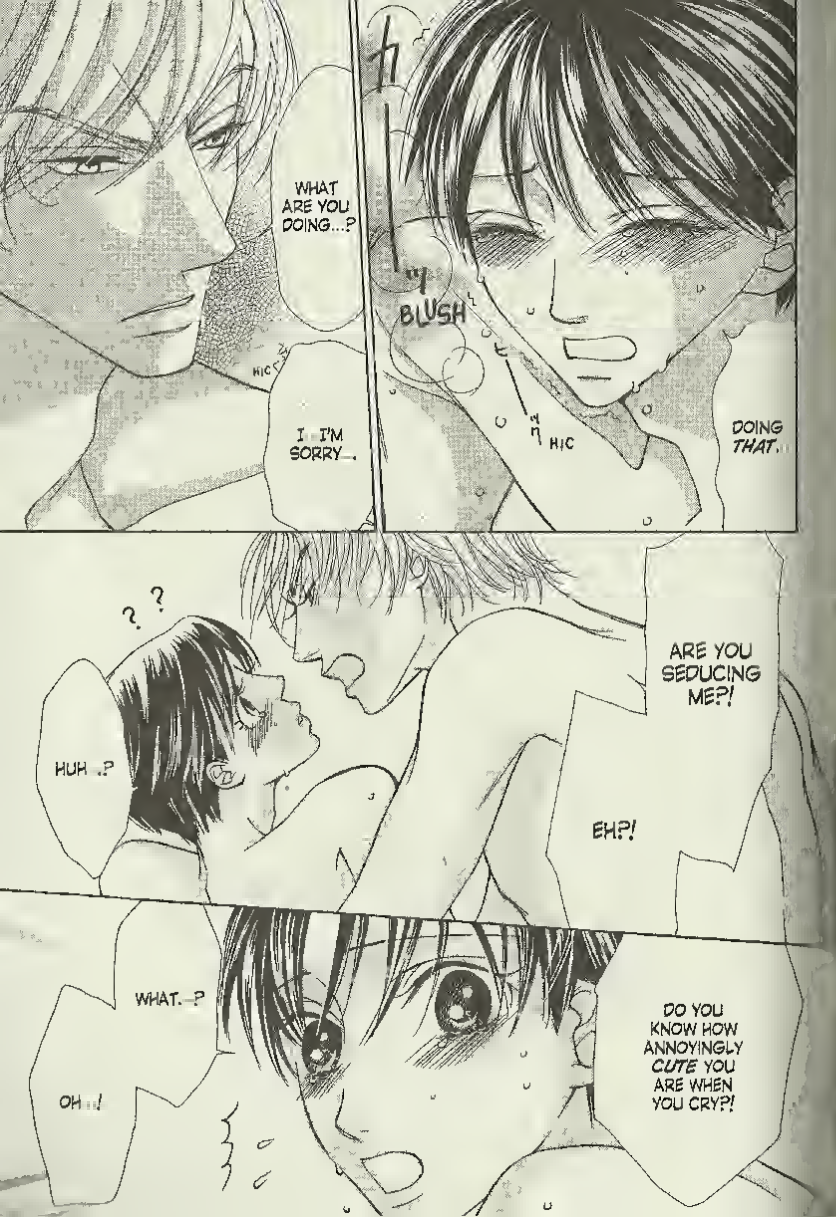
"TRUTH IS STRANGER THAN FICTION!"
HAVE YOU EVER HAD SUCH AN EXPERIENCE?
OH!
BUMP
ALTHOUGH I'M CLUMSY AND AWKWARD...
I...I'M SORRY...
I HAVE
MY HOME IS FILLED WITH FANTASY AND WONDER.
I'M HOME!

I THINK I'LL EAT YOU FIRST AFTER ALL.
HUH..? BUT YOUR DINNER WILL GET COLD..
WHAT? ARE YOU REBELLING OR SOMETHING?
N-NO, BUT..
WHOA..!
THEN WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?!
WHUMP
THE MENU'S A LITTLE OUT OF ORDER, BUT.
DESSERT FIRST
KISS


HE STARTED LIVING WITH ME BECAUSE HE TOOK A LIKING TO MY BATHTUB..
AN UNDERLING?
Y-YES -- RIGHT AWAY..
FOOD!
B-BUT THIS IS THE TYPE OF RELATIONSHIP WE'RE IN NOW..
BLUSH
AND YOU WEREN'T AROUND, EITHER.
HOW UNUSUAL -- HE'S GOING TO EAT ON LAND..
DINNER IS READY.
MM.
N... NOOOO...
EEEP-!
CHOMP

I'LL START WHERE YOU TASTE THE BEST.
N...
NN...!
YIPE...!
キュッ GRIP
スル : SLIDE
N... NOT THERE--!

MM...
HEY, KANAN.
NIBBLE
SO WHEN I EAT YOU...
WHEN AN ANIMAL KILLS ITS PREY, IT GOES FOR THE THROAT, RIGHT?
FLINCH
OH...!
CHOMP


WHAT ARE YOU DOING...?
BLUSH
HIC
I-I'M SORRY...
HIC
DOING THAT...!
? ?
HUH..?
ARE YOU SEDUCING ME?!
EH?!
WHAT.—?
OH...!
DO YOU KNOW HOW ANNOYINGLY CUTE YOU ARE WHEN YOU CRY?!

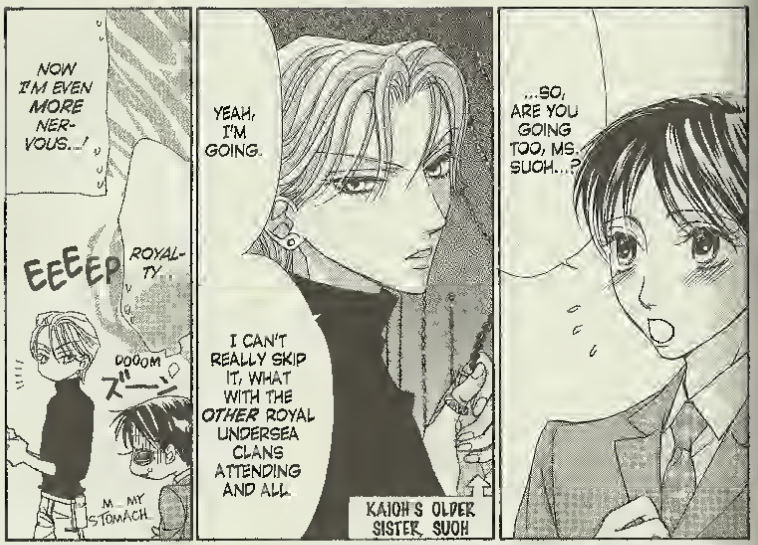
SPREAD
UH...!
—!
N-NO—!
KAIOH...!
BUT—
HIC
THAT HURT!
GRAB
OW!

MR. KAIOH...
UH..!
UHH...!
MR... KAIOH...!
RAM
A... AHH!
RAM
OH...
OHHH --!
RAM

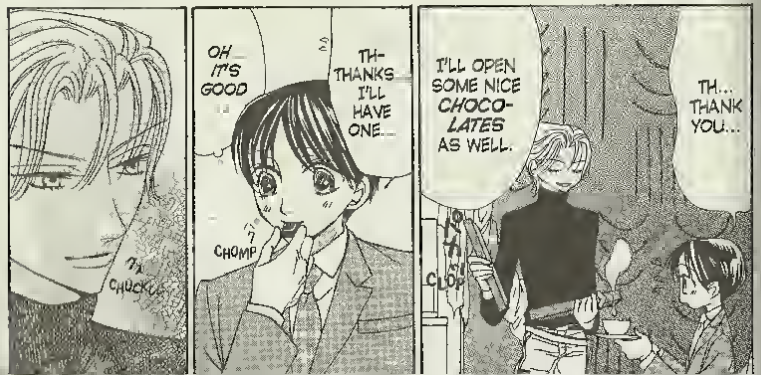
YOU SHOW THAT CUTE EXPRESSION OF YOURS SO EASILY...
...!
WHAT...?
U UHN..!
SHOVE
OH...!
THAT'S WHY I DON'T WANT TO TAKE YOU ALONG BUT I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED
SQUELCH
SATCH

OH...!
HUH...?
SO KEEP YOUR WEEKEND OPEN.
HUFF..
I VAGUELY RECALL HIM SAYING SOMETHING, BUT...
TH... THAT'S NOT...
AT LEAST I DON'T THINK...
WHAT, WAS IT SO GOOD THAT YOU WEREN'T EVEN LISTENING?
WHAT? C...CASTLE? WHEN DID YOU TELL ME...?
I TOLD YOU -- YOU'RE COMING TO THE CASTLE WITH ME.

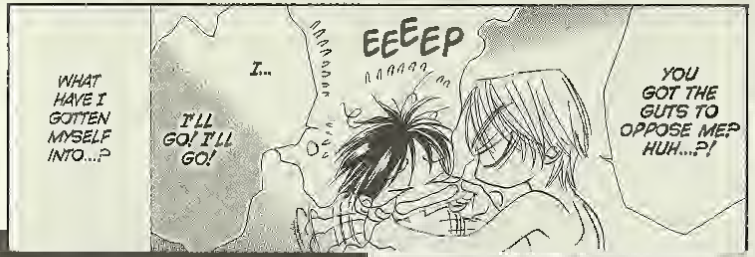
SNIFF
YOU'D BETTER NOT SHOW A FACE LIKE THAT TO ANYONE ELSE -- GOT IT?

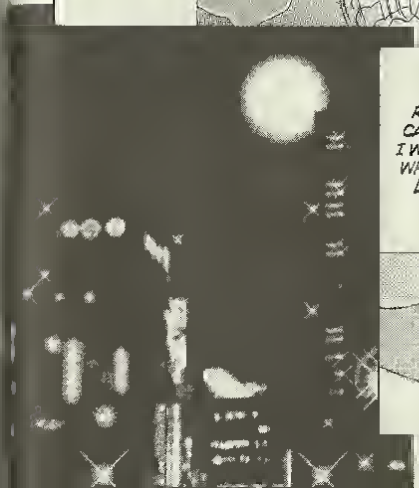

NOW I'M EVEN MORE NER-VOUS..!
EEEEP
ROYAL-TY..
DOOOM
ズーン
M...MY STOMACH
YEAH, I'M GOING.
I CAN'T REALLY SKIP IT, WHAT WITH THE OTHER ROYAL UNDERSEA CLANS ATTENDING AND ALL.
KAIOH'S OLDER SISTER, SUOH
...SO, ARE YOU GOING TOO, MS. SUOH...?

HAVE SOME TEA.


CHUCKLE
OH... IT'S GOOD
TH-THANKS I'LL HAVE ONE...
CHOMP
I'LL OPEN SOME NICE CHOCO-LATES AS WELL.
CLOP
TH... THANK YOU...

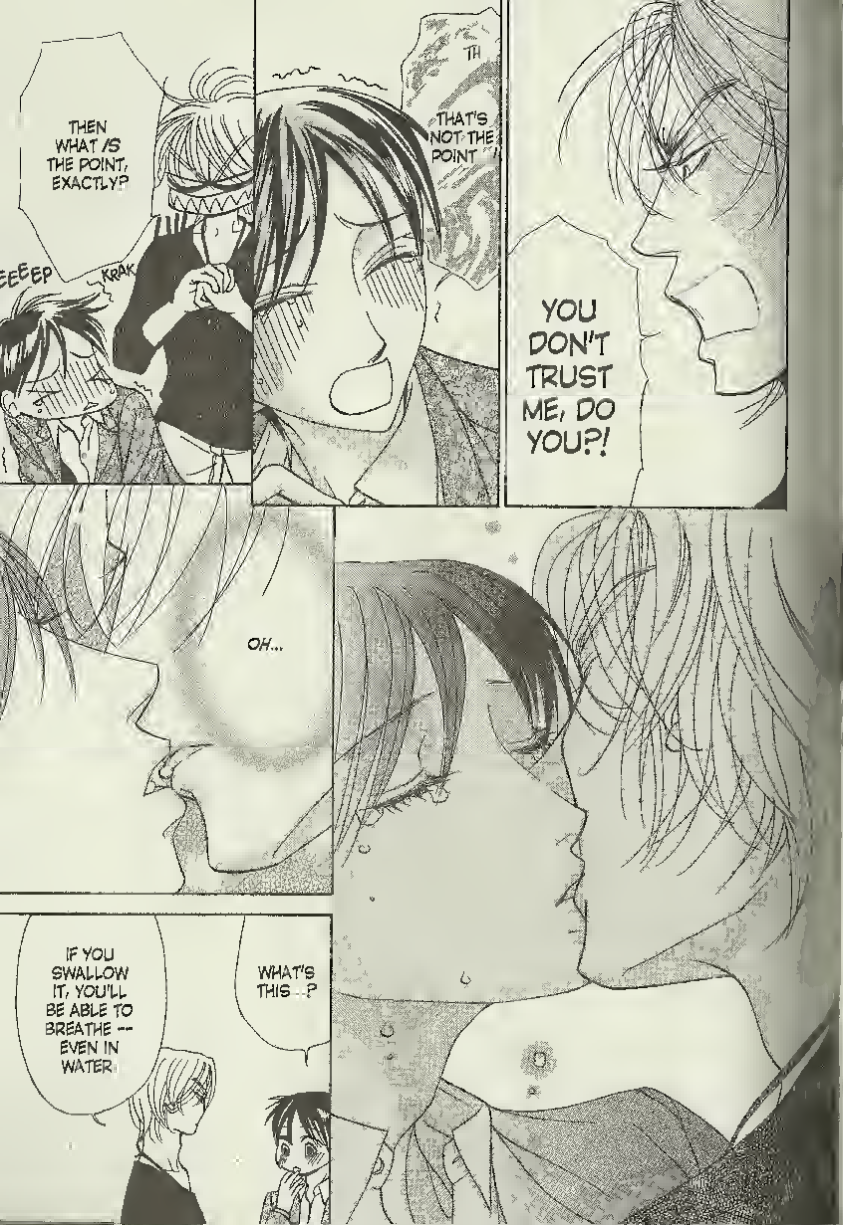
B...BUT I CAN'T GO TO AN IMPORTANT EVENT LIKE THAT...!
WHAT ...?!
THE KING!
IT'S MY OLD MAN'S BIRTHDAY BASH -- ALL THE UNDERSEA DENIZENS WILL BE THERE
AFTER ALL, HE IS THE KING!


WHAT HAVE I GOTTEN MYSELF INTO...?
I...
EEEEP
I'LL GO! I'LL GO!
YOU GOT THE GUTS TO OPPOSE ME?! HUH...?!



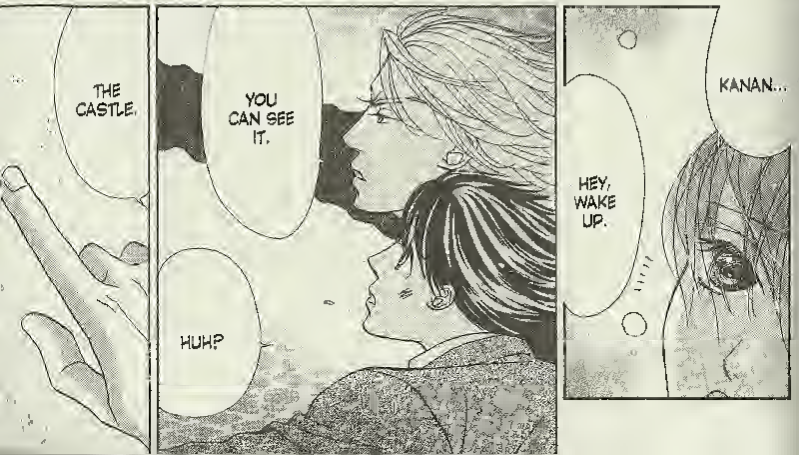
RYUGU CASTLE... I WONDER WHAT IT'S LIKE?
THUMP
STING STING

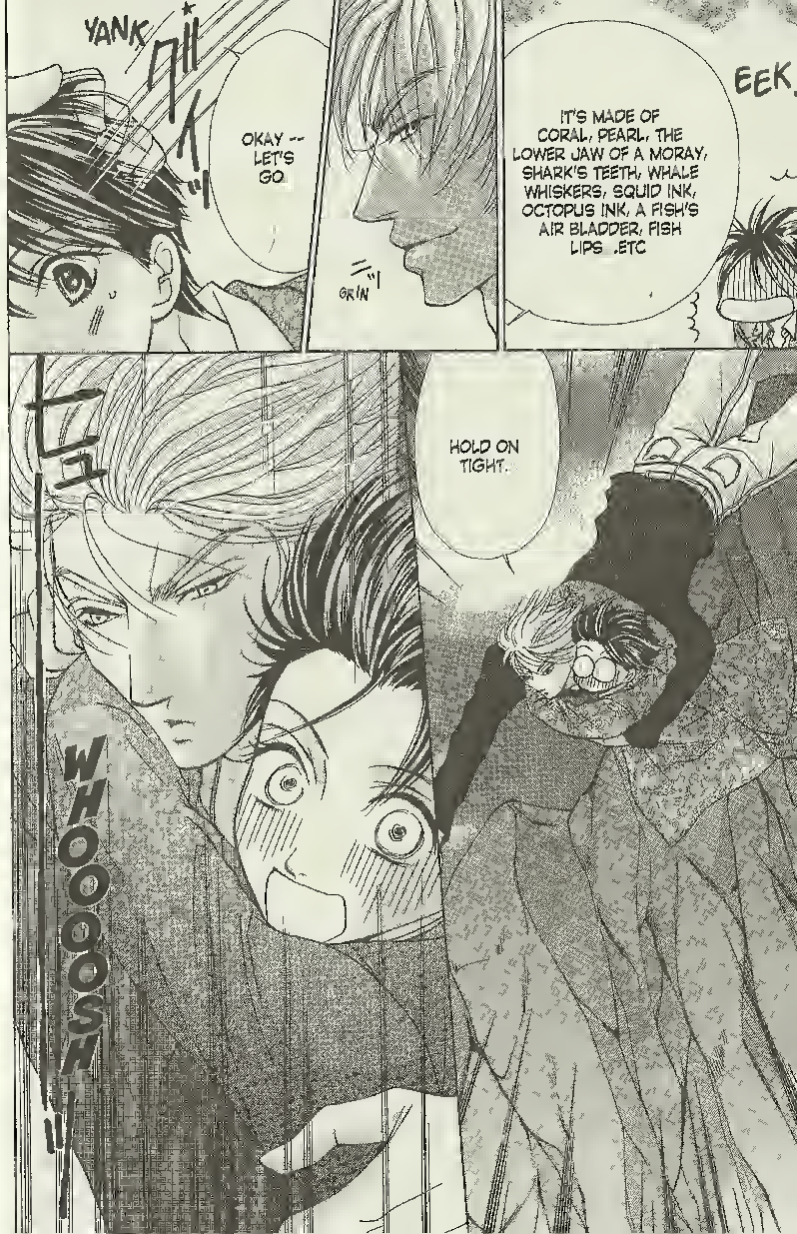
FATHER AND EVERYONE ELSE WILL BE HAPPY JUST WITH YOUR BEING THERE, KANAN
KAIOH'S RIGHT...
B...BUT I CAN'T GO EMPTY-HANDED...
THEN YOU KNOW ME PRETTY WELL...
B...BUT I THOUGHT YOU'D TELL ME I DON'T NEED TO BRING ANY-THING...
D...
DO YOU THINK SO...?
OF COURSE!
SMIRK
POSSES-SIVE AS ALWAYS...
HE PROBABLY LIKES ME BETTER 'CAUSE YOU BULLY HIM TOO MUCH
YOU! WHY DO YOU LISTEN WHEN SHE SAYS IT?!
HISS
O...OKAY, THEN...
W...WE'RE GOING FROM HERE?!!
AS I ALONE WORRIED AND FRETTED, THE FATED WEEKEND ARRIVED...
ZZZ
SNORE
OH NO!
OH, NO!
I...I'M ENVI-OUS OF HER ABILITY TO TALK BACK TO HIM...
HOW DARE YOU SPEAK TO YOUR OLDER SISTER IN THAT TONE?!
EEEEP
WHAP
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
O...OH...
BADUMP BADUMP
WHEW
BUT YOU SHOULD BE OKAY IF YOU DON'T STRAY FROM KAIOH'S SIDE
WHAT?!!
YOU'D BETTER BE ON YOUR GUARD, THOUGH, KANAN.
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HANGING AROUND HERE?!
SINCE IT'S THE KING'S BIRTHDAY, I WAS WONDERING ABOUT A GIFT --
OH, THAT'S RIGHT -- I CAME TO ASK YOU SOME-THING...
OUR WHOLE FAMILY SHARES SIMILAR TASTES, SO HE'LL BE SMOTHERED WITH ATTENTION...
FOR SURE...
I JUST CAME TO ASK MS. SUOH WHAT I SHOULD BRING THE KING FOR A BIRTHDAY GIFT...
ASK ME THOSE KINDS OF QUESTIONS!
GRAB
THERE I WAS, WAITING FOR YOU AT HOME, STARVING... AND YOU'RE HERE HAVING TEA?!
KAIOH.
MR. KAIOH...
N...NO, I...


THEN WHAT IS THE POINT, EXACTLY?
EEEEP
KRAK
TH
THAT'S NOT THE POINT!
YOU DON'T TRUST ME, DO YOU?!
OH...
IF YOU SWALLOW IT, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO BREATHE -- EVEN IN WATER.
WHAT'S THIS--?

I CAN'T EVEN DIVE IN A POOL...
B... BUT I'LL DROWN! I'LL DIE!!
LET ALONE OFF OF A SHEER CLIFF LIKE THIS...!
HH
HH
HH
SPLASH
CRASH
CRAAASH

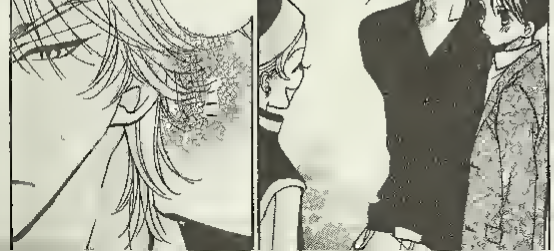
SPLASH
BURBLE BURBLE

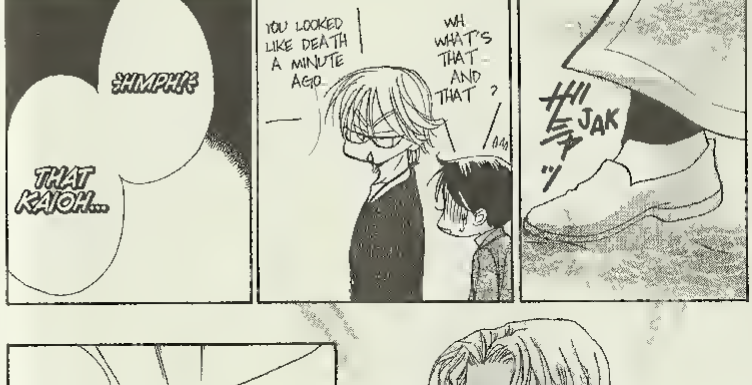

THE CASTLE.
YOU CAN SEE IT.
HUH?
KANAN...
HEY, WAKE UP.

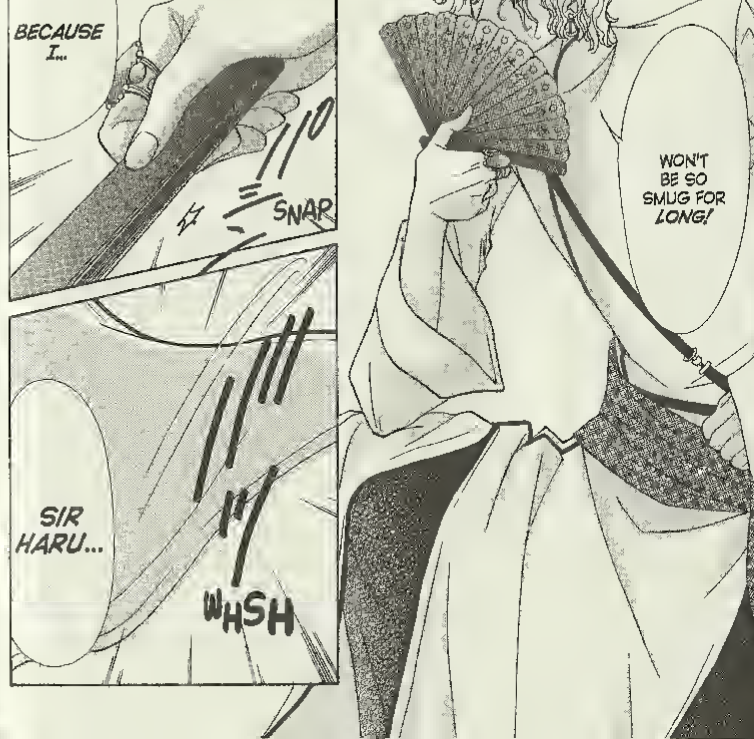

YANK
OKAY -- LET'S GO.
GRIN
IT'S MADE OF CORAL, PEARL, THE LOWER JAW OF A MORAY, SHARK'S TEETH, WHALE WHISKERS, SQUID INK, OCTOPUS INK, A FISH'S AIR BLADDER, FISH LIPS...ETC
EEK
HOLD ON TIGHT.
WHOOOOSH

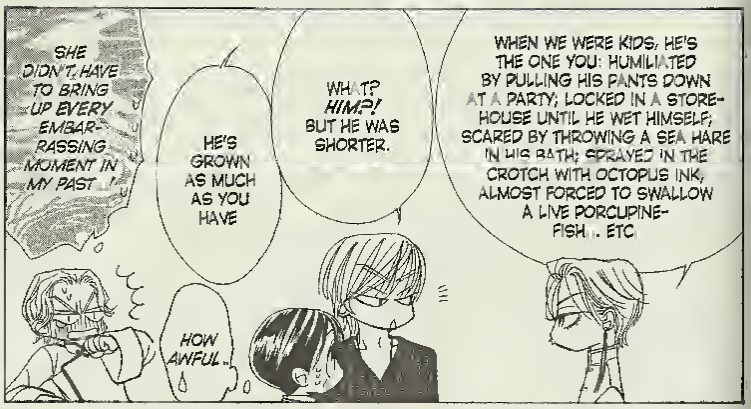
I...IT'S AMAZING... IT'S REAL...!
OH! EVERYONE'S HERE!
LONG! TIME, NO SEE -- HOW'VE YOU BEEN??
HMM...
HER? JEALOUS AS EVER.
UH... I SEE SOMEONE I KNOW OVER THERE SO
HEY YOU FREE TONIGHT ?
ZOOM
WHOOPEE!
W... OW...!

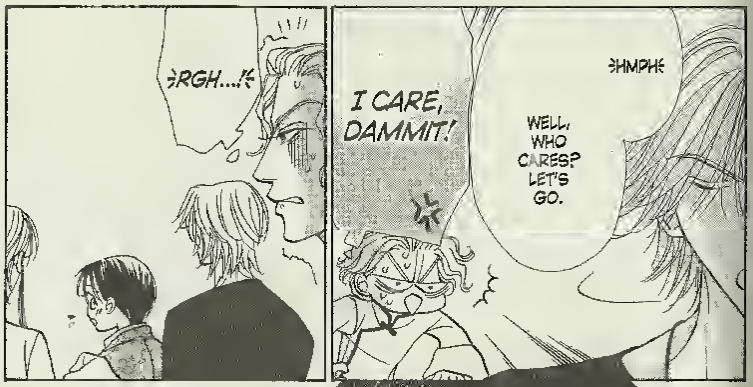
HAAA HA HA HA
DON'T LOOK AT HIM!
MAMA, HE'S WEIRD...
WILL SOON TAKE MY REVENGE FOR THE PAST!
ZING

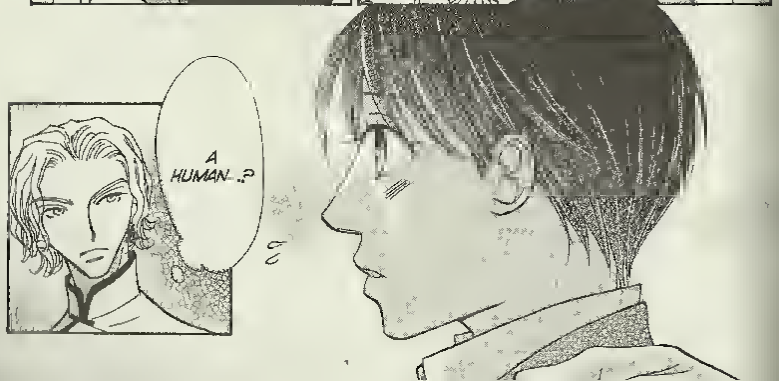

KAIOH
SO NICE TO SEE YOU SIR KAIOH!
HEY

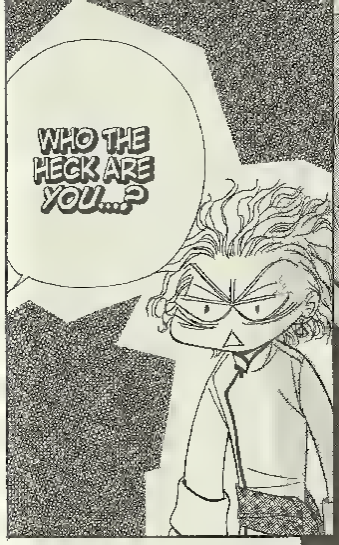

SHMPH!
THAT KAIOH...
YOU LOOKED LIKE DEATH A MINUTE AGO.
WH WHAT'S THAT AND THAT ?
JAK


BECAUSE I...
SNAP
SIR HARU...
WHSH
WON'T BE SO SMUG FOR LONG!


SHE DIDN'T HAVE TO BRING UP EVERY EMBARRASSING MOMENT IN MY PAST...!
HE'S GROWN AS MUCH AS YOU HAVE
WHAT? HIM?! BUT HE WAS SHORTER.
WHEN WE WERE KIDS, HE'S THE ONE YOU: HUMILIATED BY PULLING HIS PANTS DOWN AT A PARTY; LOCKED IN A STORE-HOUSE UNTIL HE WET HIMSELF; SCARED BY THROWING A SEA HARE IN HIS BATH; SPRAYED IN THE CROTCH WITH OCTOPUS INK; ALMOST FORCED TO SWALLOW A LIVE PORCUPINE-FISH... ETC
HOW AWFUL..


RGH...!
I CARE, DAMMIT!
HMPH
WELL, WHO CARES? LET'S GO.


A HUMAN..?

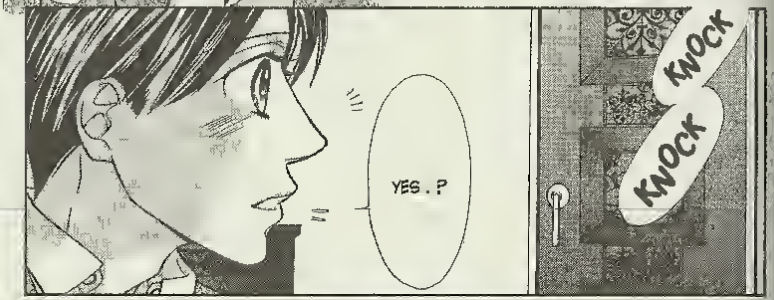

WHO THE HECK ARE YOU...?

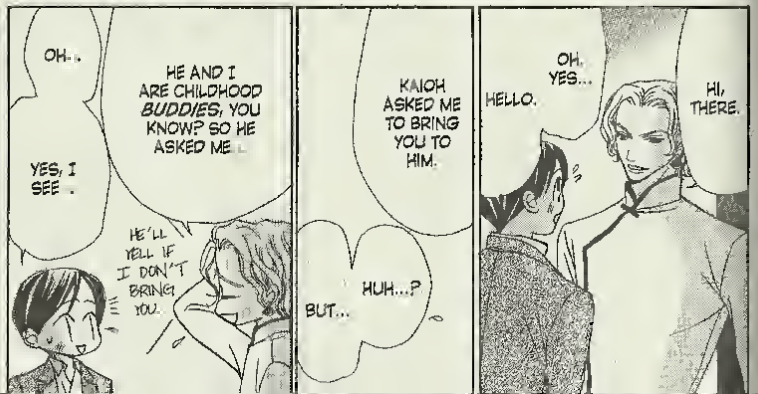
...LONG TIME, NO SEE.

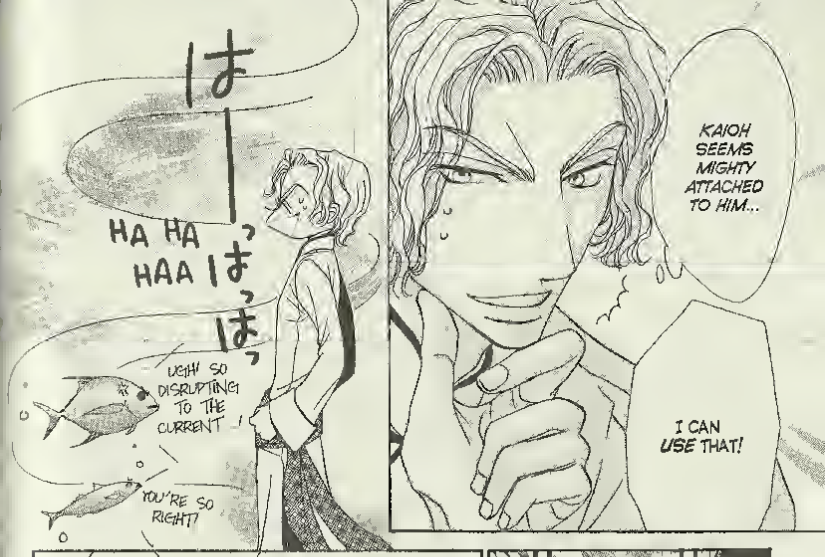
YOU MADE IT -- GOOD FOR YOU
MS SUOH!
THAT'S WHY I ASKED! WHO ARE YOU?!
YOU DON'T REMEMBER ME?!

TAKING IT OUT ON HIM?
YOU KNOW HIM, TOO...
WHAT, HE'S AN ACQUAINTANCE OF YOURS, SIS?
CHOMP
CHOMP
HARU.
AH, LADY SUOH YOU'RE LOOKING REFINED AS ALWAYS
HEH

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT -- I'M ACTUALLY HERE, UNDER THE SEA!
WHEW!
IT'S WONDER-FUL ..!


YES . ?
KNOCK KNOCK KNOCK


OH. .
YES, I SEE .
HE AND I ARE CHILDHOOD BUDDIES, YOU KNOW? SO HE ASKED ME
HE'LL YELL IF I DON'T BRING YOU.
KAIOH ASKED ME TO BRING YOU TO HIM.
BUT...
HUH...?
OH. YES...
HELLO.
HI, THERE.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HA HA HAA
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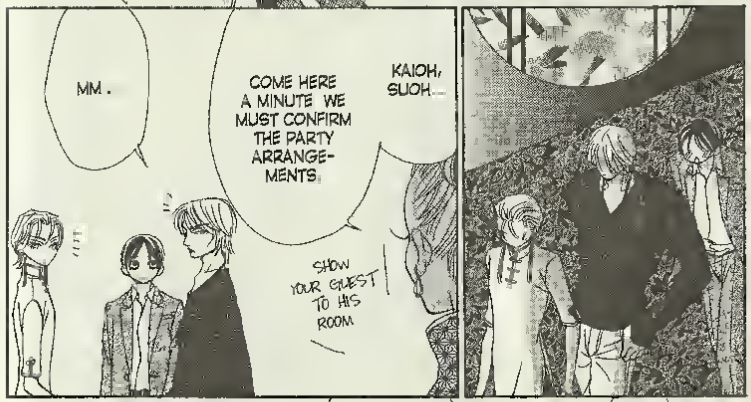
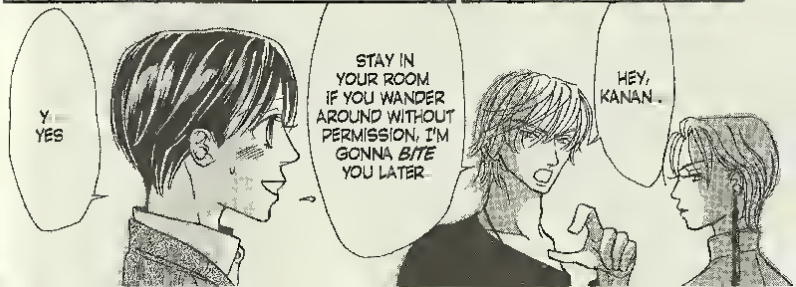
UGH! SO DISRUPTING! TO THE CURRENT !
YOU'RE SO RIGHT!
KAIOH SEEMS MIGHTY ATTACHED TO HIM..
I CAN USE THAT!

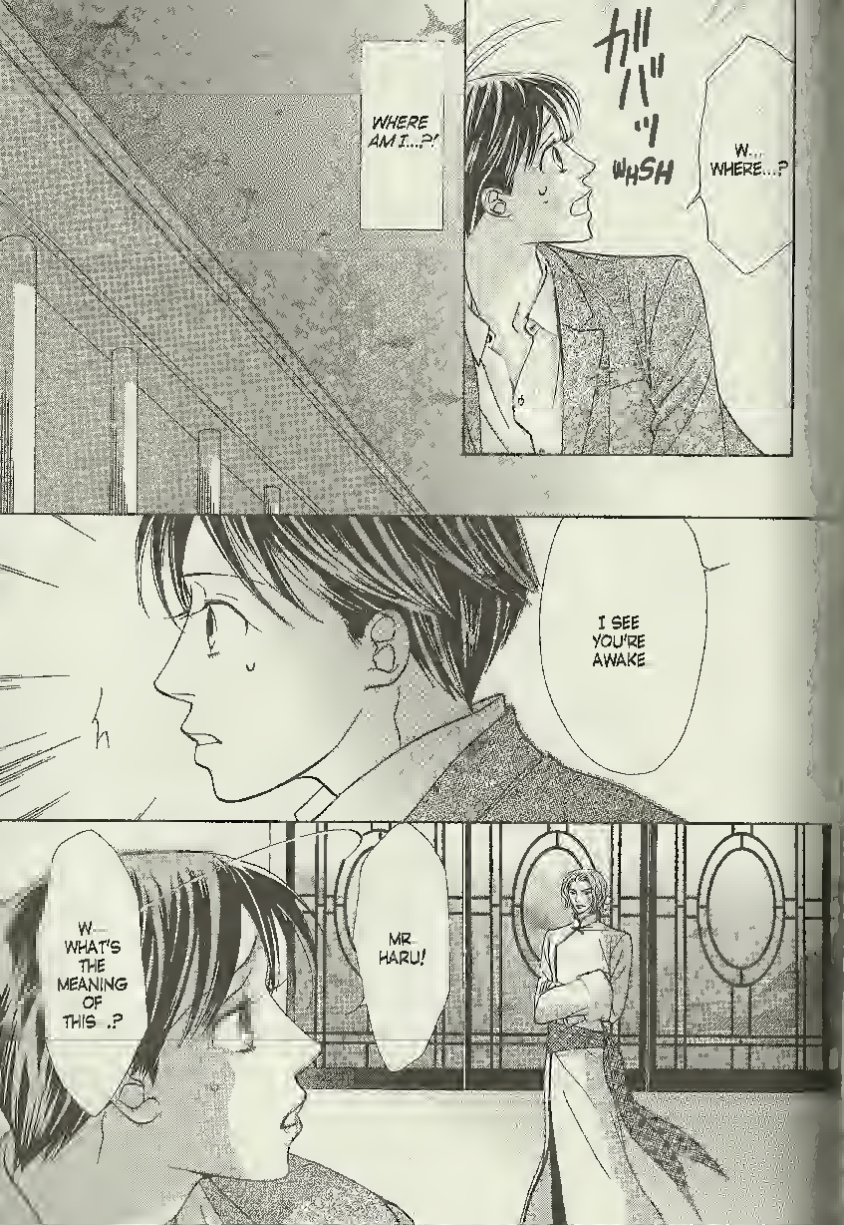

MM .
COME HERE A MINUTE WE MUST CONFIRM THE PARTY ARRANGE-MENTS.
KAIOH, SUOH...
SHOW YOUR GUEST TO HIS ROOM


Y- YES
STAY IN YOUR ROOM IF YOU WANDER AROUND WITHOUT PERMISSION, I'M GONNA BITE YOU LATER.
HEY, KANAN.

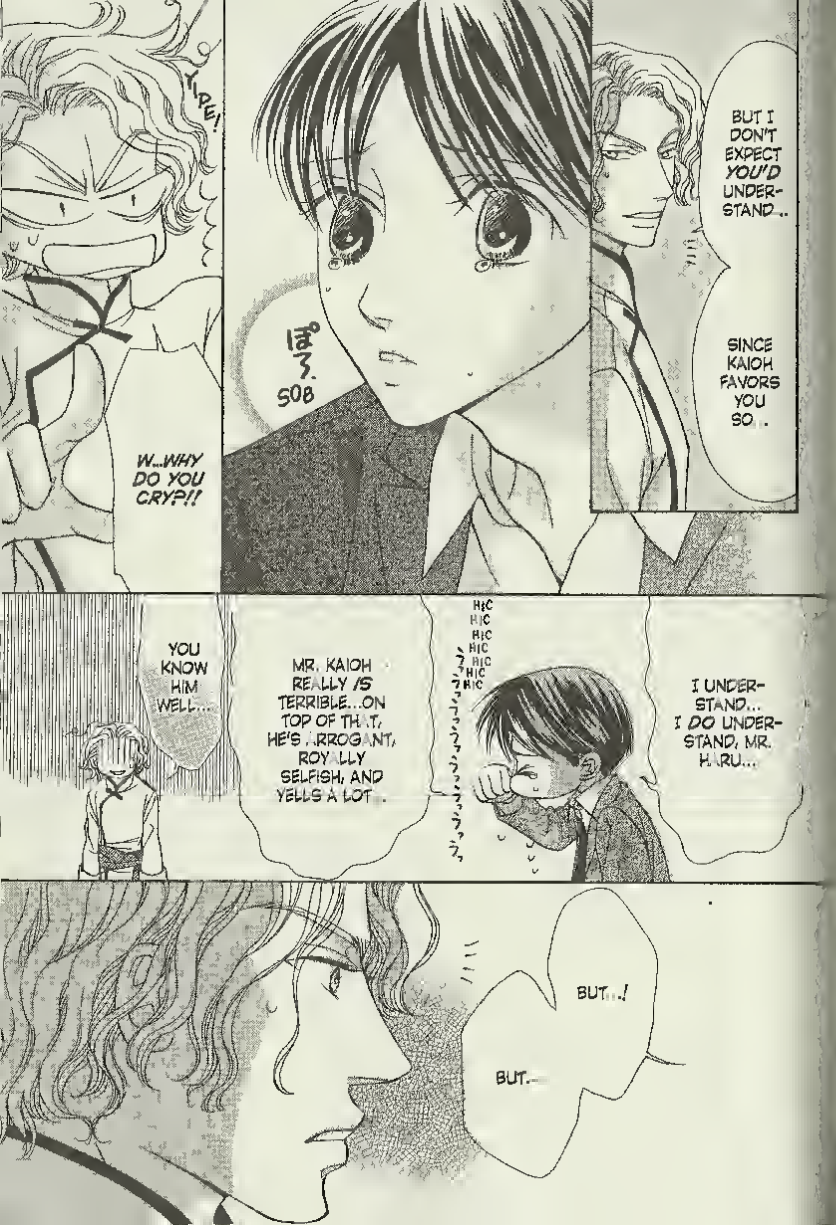
SLAP
OH...!
?
MR KAIOH..
JUST WAIT, KAIOH! I'M GONNA GET YOU GOOD!
はっはっはっ HAA HA HA HA

THIS WAY.
OKAY.
!
WHOOSH

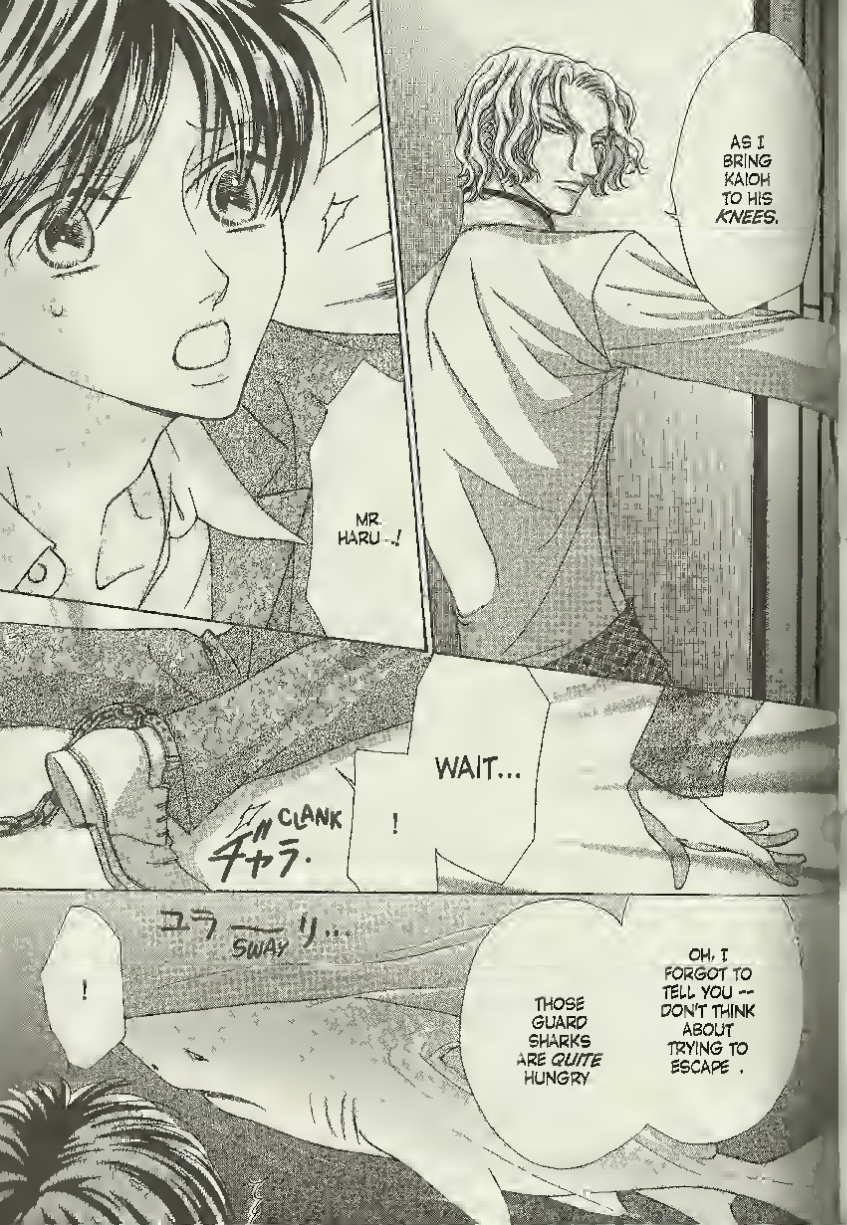
selfish Mr.mermaid


WHERE AM I...?!
ガバッ
WHSH
W... WHERE...?
I SEE YOU'RE AWAKE
W— WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS .?
MR. HARU!

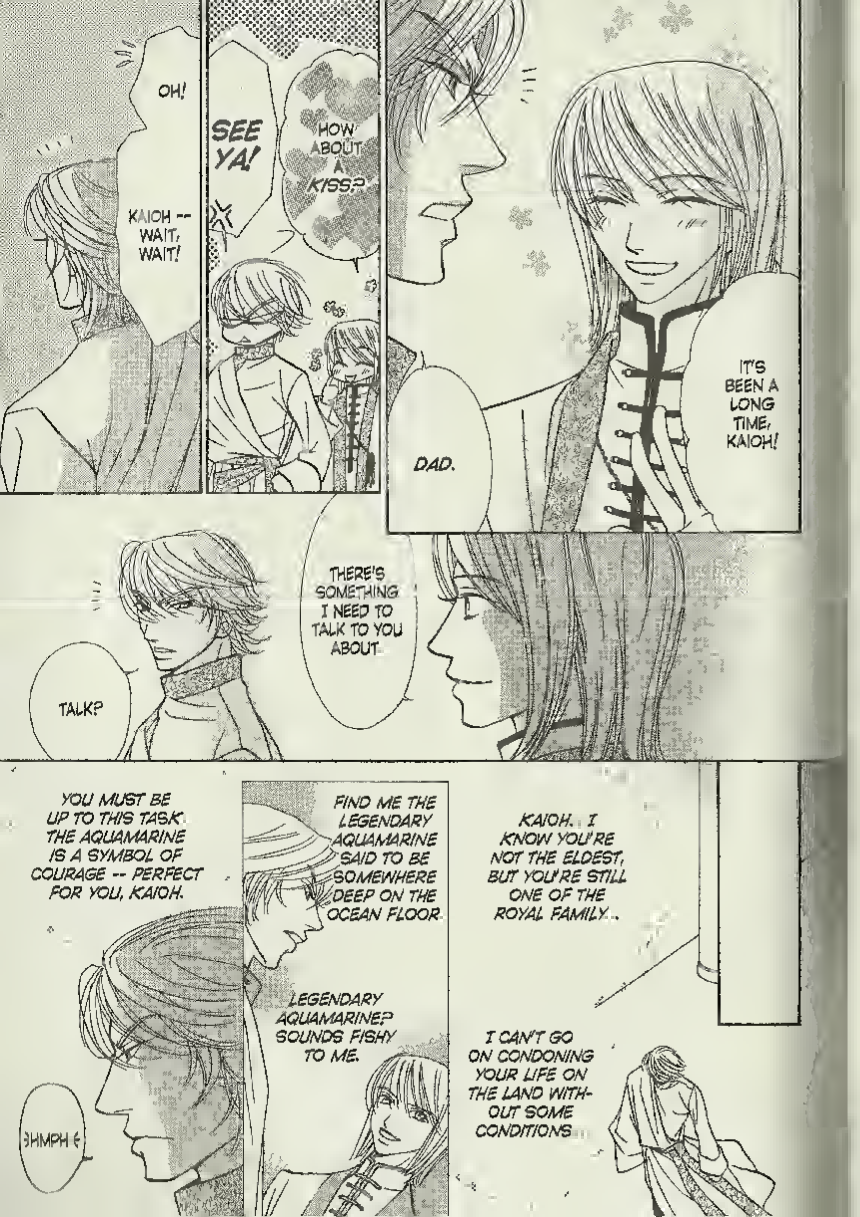
GASP!

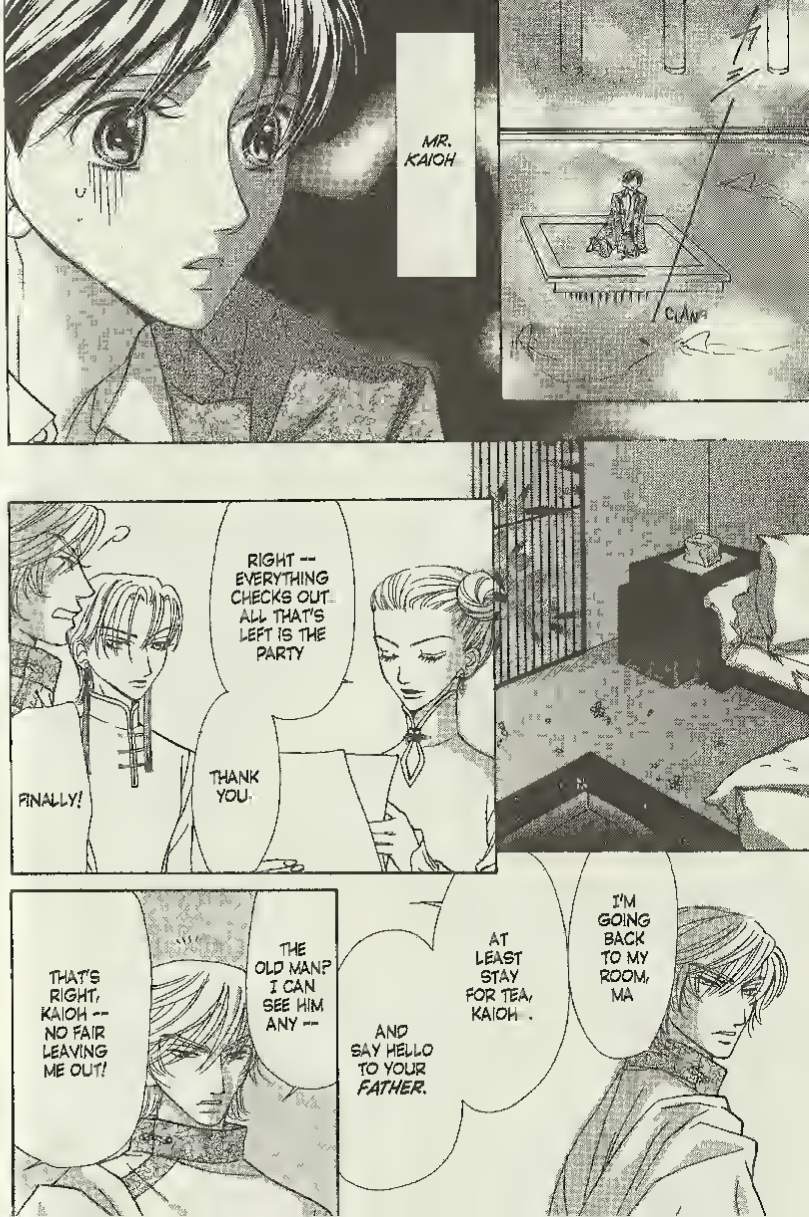

W...WHY DO YOU CRY?!!
TYPE!
ぱっ
SOB
BUT I DON'T EXPECT YOU'D UNDERSTAND..
SINCE KAIOH FAVORS YOU SO..
YOU KNOW HIM WELL...
MR. KAIOH REALLY IS TERRIBLE...ON TOP OF THAT, HE'S ARROGANT, ROYALLY SELFISH, AND YELLS A LOT.
HIC HIC HIC HIC HIC HIC HIC
I UNDERSTAND... I DO UNDERSTAND, MR. HARU...
BUT...!
BUT...

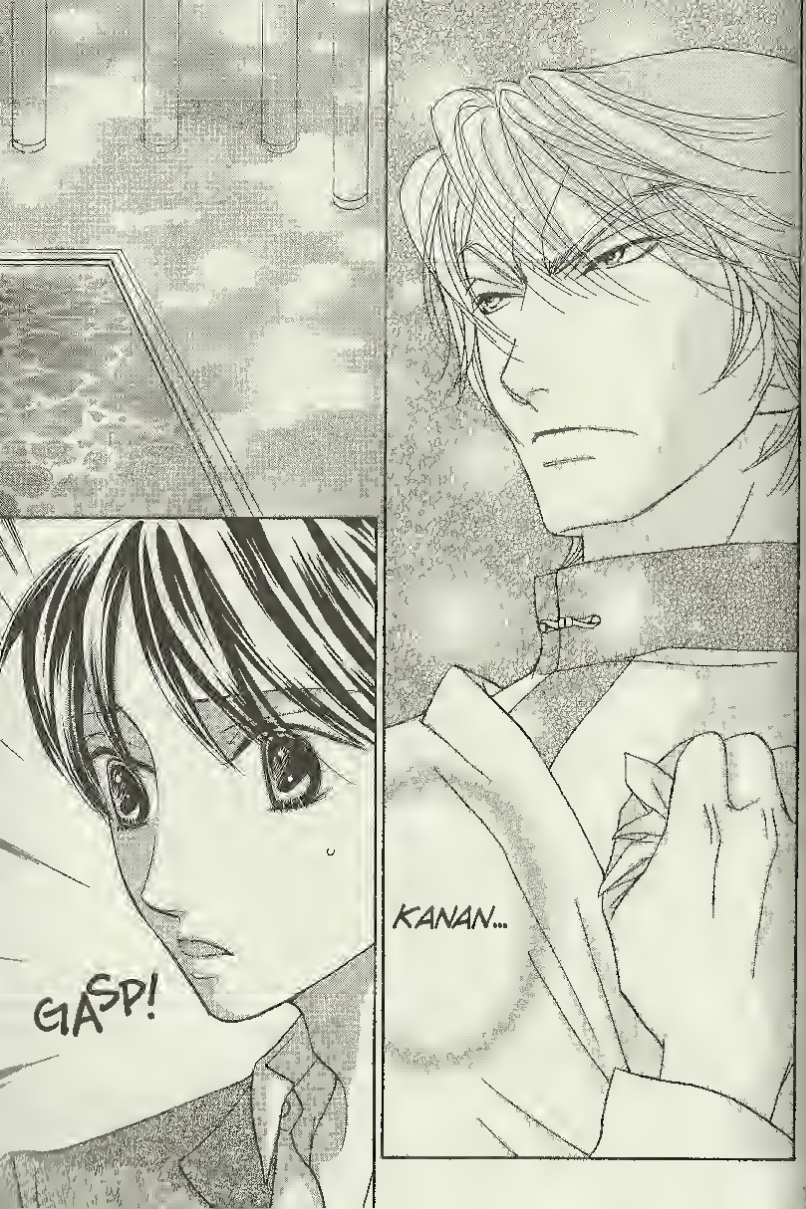
M...MR. KAIOH?
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS? IT'S ALL ABOUT KAIOH
OH...!
THE SIZE OF THIS OCEAN IS NOTHING COMPARED TO THE TEARS I'VE CRIED IN THE PAST!
YOU HEARD IT, DIDN'T YOU? KAIOH'S BULLYING! LOCKING ME UP, AND THE SEA HARE AND EVERYTHING!
THAT'S WHY I'M GOING TO TAKE MY REVENGE...
USING YOU AS BAIT!

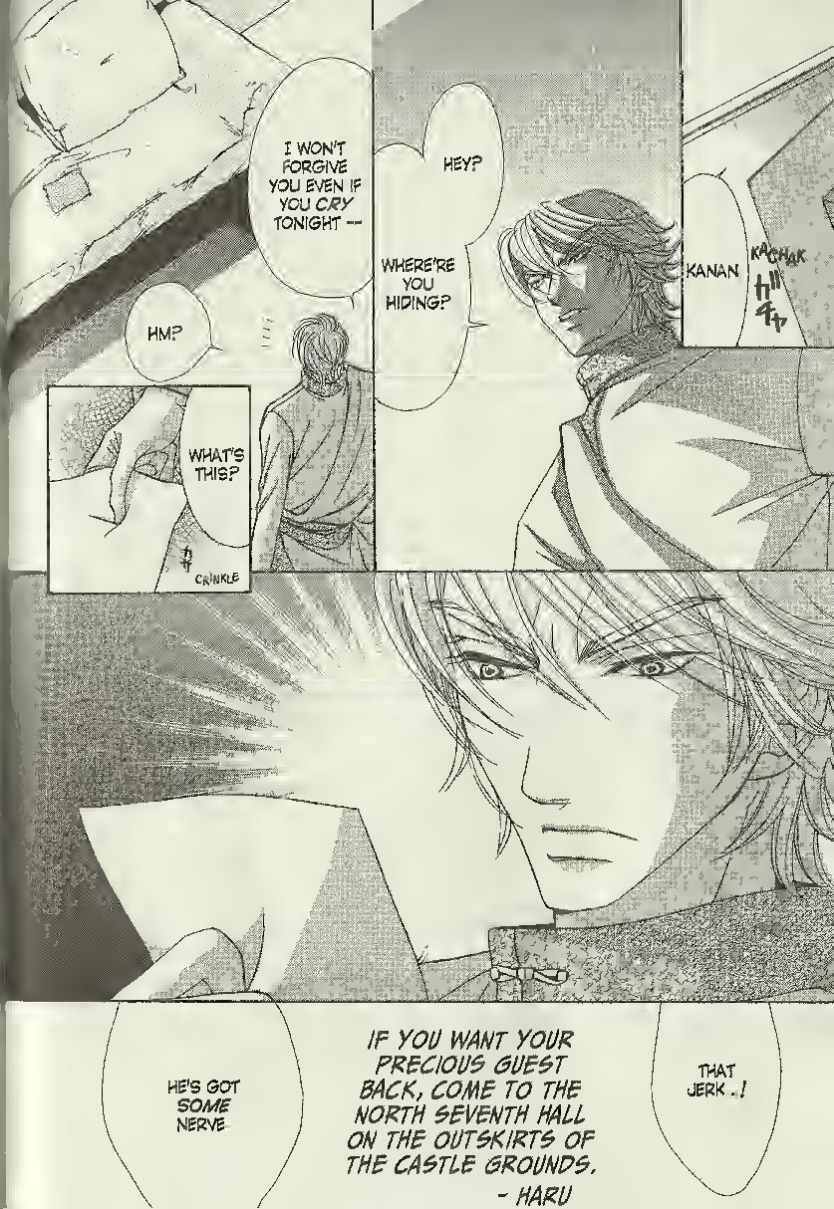

AS I BRING KAIOH TO HIS KNEES.
MR. HARU-!
WAIT...
!
CLANK
チャラ
ユラ SWAY リ...
!
THOSE GUARD SHARKS ARE QUITE HUNGRY
OH, I FORGOT TO TELL YOU -- DON'T THINK ABOUT TRYING TO ESCAPE .

...HE'S ALSO VERY KIND
JUST SIT THERE QUIETLY AND WATCH...
DON'T WORRY -- IT'S NOT MY INTENT TO HARM YOU...
YOU KNOW NOTHING OF HOW I FEEL


OH!
KAIOH -- WAIT, WAIT!
SEE YA!
HOW ABOUT A KISS?
DAD.
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, KAIOH!
THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT.
TALK?
YOU MUST BE UP TO THIS TASK. THE AQUAMARINE IS A SYMBOL OF COURAGE -- PERFECT FOR YOU, KAIOH.
FIND ME THE LEGENDARY AQUAMARINE SAID TO BE SOMEWHERE DEEP ON THE OCEAN FLOOR.
LEGENDARY AQUAMARINE? SOUNDS FISHY TO ME.
HMPH
KAIOH. I KNOW YOU'RE NOT THE ELDEST, BUT YOU'RE STILL ONE OF THE ROYAL FAMILY...
I CAN'T GO ON CONDONING YOUR LIFE ON THE LAND WITHOUT SOME CONDITIONS.


MR. KAIOH
CLANG
FINALLY!
RIGHT -- EVERYTHING CHECKS OUT. ALL THAT'S LEFT IS THE PARTY
THANK YOU.
THAT'S RIGHT, KAIOH -- NO FAIR LEAVING ME OUT!
THE OLD MAN? I CAN SEE HIM ANY --
AND SAY HELLO TO YOUR FATHER.
AT LEAST STAY FOR TEA, KAIOH.
I'M GOING BACK TO MY ROOM, MA


GASP!
KANAN...


I WON'T FORGIVE YOU EVEN IF YOU CRY TONIGHT --
HEY?
WHERE'RE YOU HIDING?
KANAN
KACHAK
HM?
WHAT'S THIS?
CRINKLE
HE'S GOT SOME NERVE
IF YOU WANT YOUR PRECIOUS GUEST BACK, COME TO THE NORTH SEVENTH HALL ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CASTLE GROUNDS.
- HARU
THAT JERK..!

I...I'M SORRY...
COME HERE!
YOU TOO, KANAN! HOW COULD YOU BE CAPTURED SO EASILY?
!
EVEN IF YOU WENT TO HELP HIM, YOU MIGHT PUT HIM IN DANGER...!
WHAT, WITH ALL THE SHARKS SWIMMING AROUND.
HEH
THAT'LL BE DIFFICULT FOR HIM...
HEH..
OH, I WOULDN'T CALL IT ANYTHING LIKE THAT...
SCOUN-DREL..!
WHAT'S YOUR DEMAND?

WHAT...?
HA HA
KAIOH'S HERE ALREADY.
SEE?
MR KAIOH!
FOOL! HOW DARE YOU CARRY OFF MY POSSESSION?!
HEY!
ZSH

HEH
ALL YOUR BIG TALK...
AND YOU TOSS ME A DULL, USELESS SWORD, EH?
THUNK
DON'T EXPECT ME TO BE THE SAME BOY FROM THE PAST.
FWSH
YOU SHOULD'VE STAYED HOLED UP UNDER THE SEA FOR THE REST OF YOUR PATHETIC LIFE.

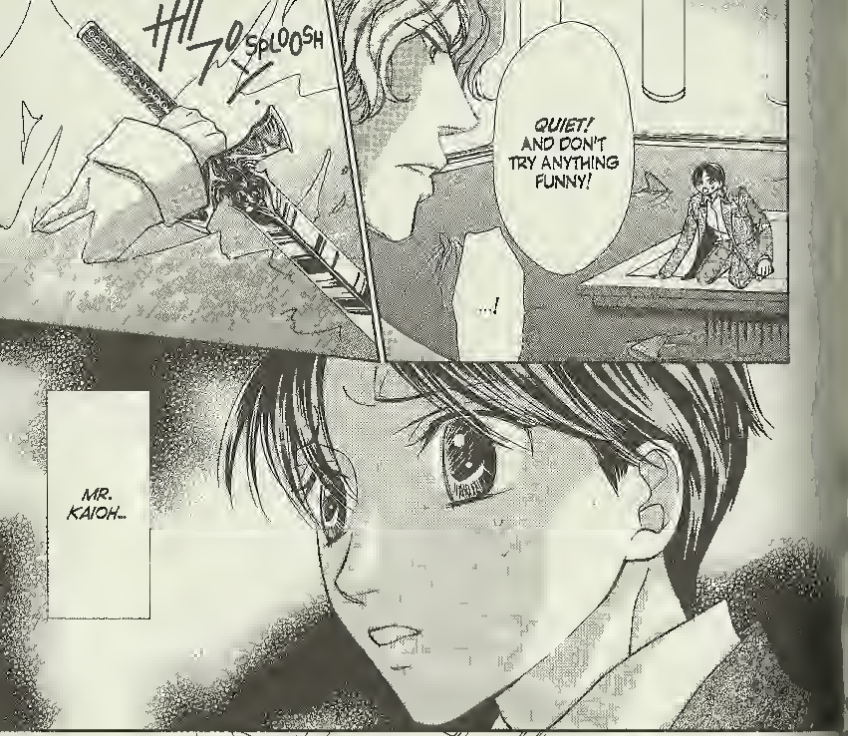
...BUT I'D LIKE TO BE RELEASED FROM MY PAST, ONCE AND FOR ALL.
SCHWING
A DUEL...
WITH *HIM* AS THE PRIZE...

ジャボ…ン
SPLOOSH
キン
SPANG
HEH
COWARD... YOU CAN'T EVEN FIGHT FAIRLY.
CALL IT "STRATEGY."
LET'S SEE -- FIRST, GET DOWN ON YOUR KNEES AND APOLOGIZE TO ME.
SO, WHAT SHALL I HAVE YOU DO?

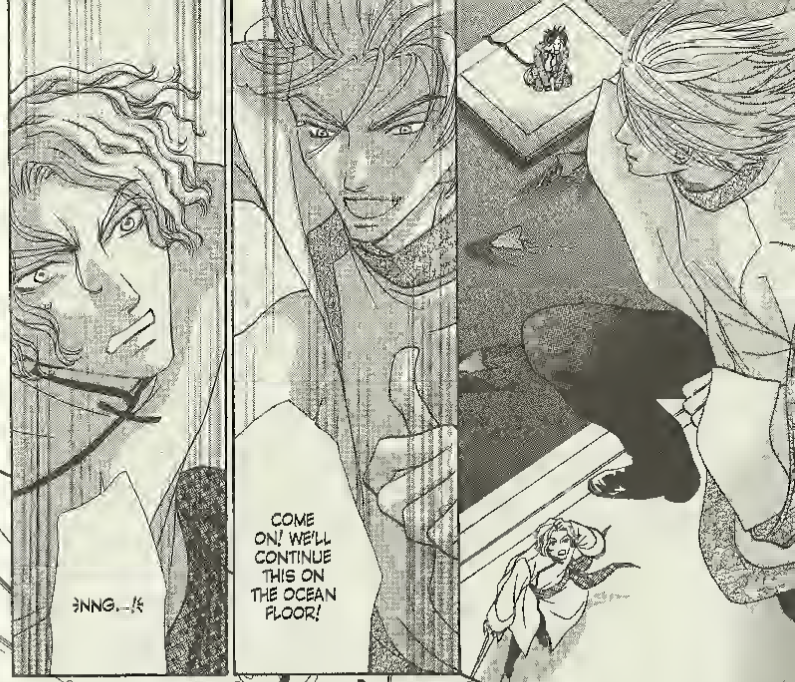
CLANG
LET'S GO!
TCH
DAMN -- THIS SWORD REALLY IS USELESS!
WHAP
WHAT'S THE MATTER, KAIOH?

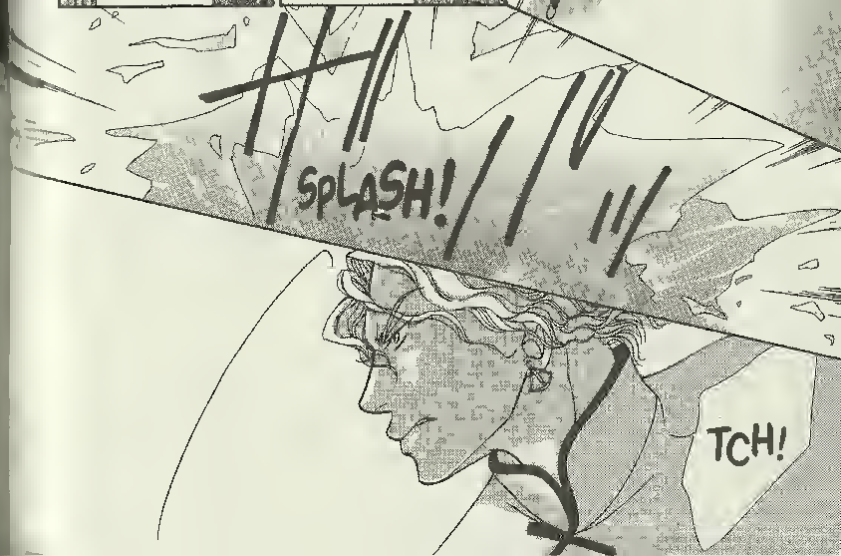
HUH...?
IT'S NOT OVER YET.
WHAT?!

MR. KAIOH!
KANAN, YOU FOOL.
WHAT'RE YOU CRYING FOR?
I TOLD YOU NOT TO SHOW THAT FACE TO ANYONE ELSE.
Y...YES, I KNOW... BUT...
W-WHAT SHOULD I DO...? THIS IS ALL MY FAULT.


SPLOOSH
QUIET! AND DON'T TRY ANYTHING FUNNY!
...!
MR. KAIOH...

WHSH
WHAP

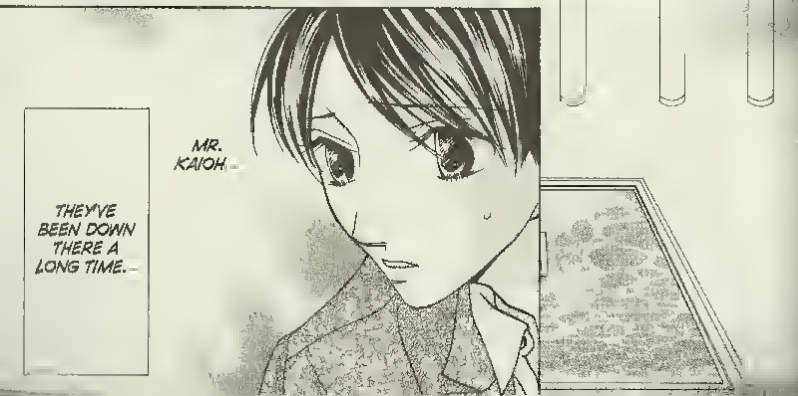

ENNG...!
COME ON! WE'LL CONTINUE THIS ON THE OCEAN FLOOR!


SPLASH!
TCH!

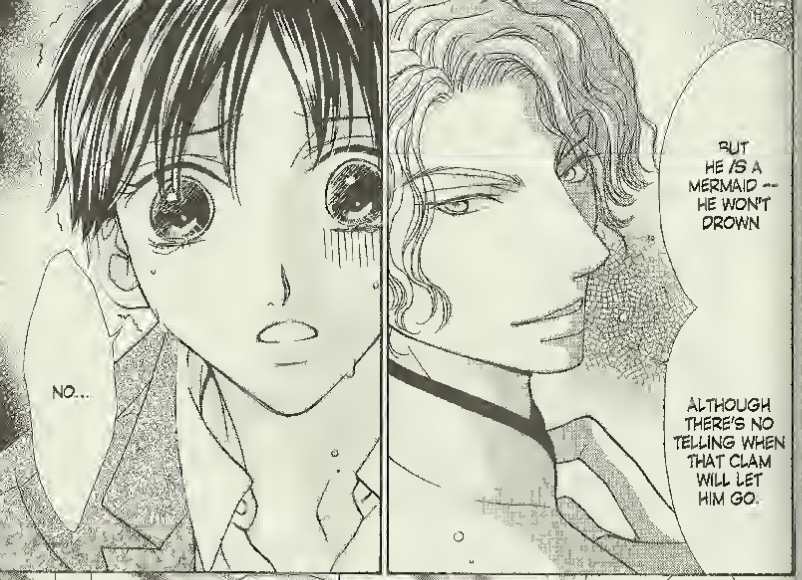
I'M NATURALLY BOUYANT.
YOU'RE PRETTY FAST.
CALL IT "STRATEGY."
WHAT?
SHMPH! I THINK I HAVEN'T PLANNED FOR THIS?
?!
CLAMP
EH?
YOU'VE FALLEN INTO MY TRAP.

?
TCH!
!
THUD
GIVE IT UP!
THAT'S MY LINE!

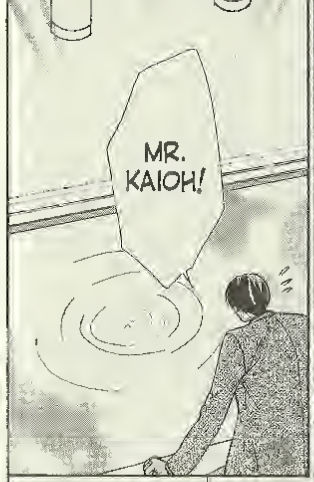
TCH
HAHA HA HA HA
MEAN-WHILE, I'LL BE PLAYING WITH THAT HUMAN OF YOURS!


THEY'VE BEEN DOWN THERE A LONG TIME...
MR. KAIOH...

...
I
THANKS FOR MAKING THINGS SO EASY.
HAVE FUN PLAYING WITH THE CLAM...


NO...
BUT HE IS A MERMAID -- HE WON'T DROWN
ALTHOUGH THERE'S NO TELLING WHEN THAT CLAM WILL LET HIM GO.

DON'T WORRY -- I'LL TAKE YOU SAFELY BACK TO LAND LATER
MR. KAIOH!


MR. KAIOH!

GASP
M...MR. KAIOH...?

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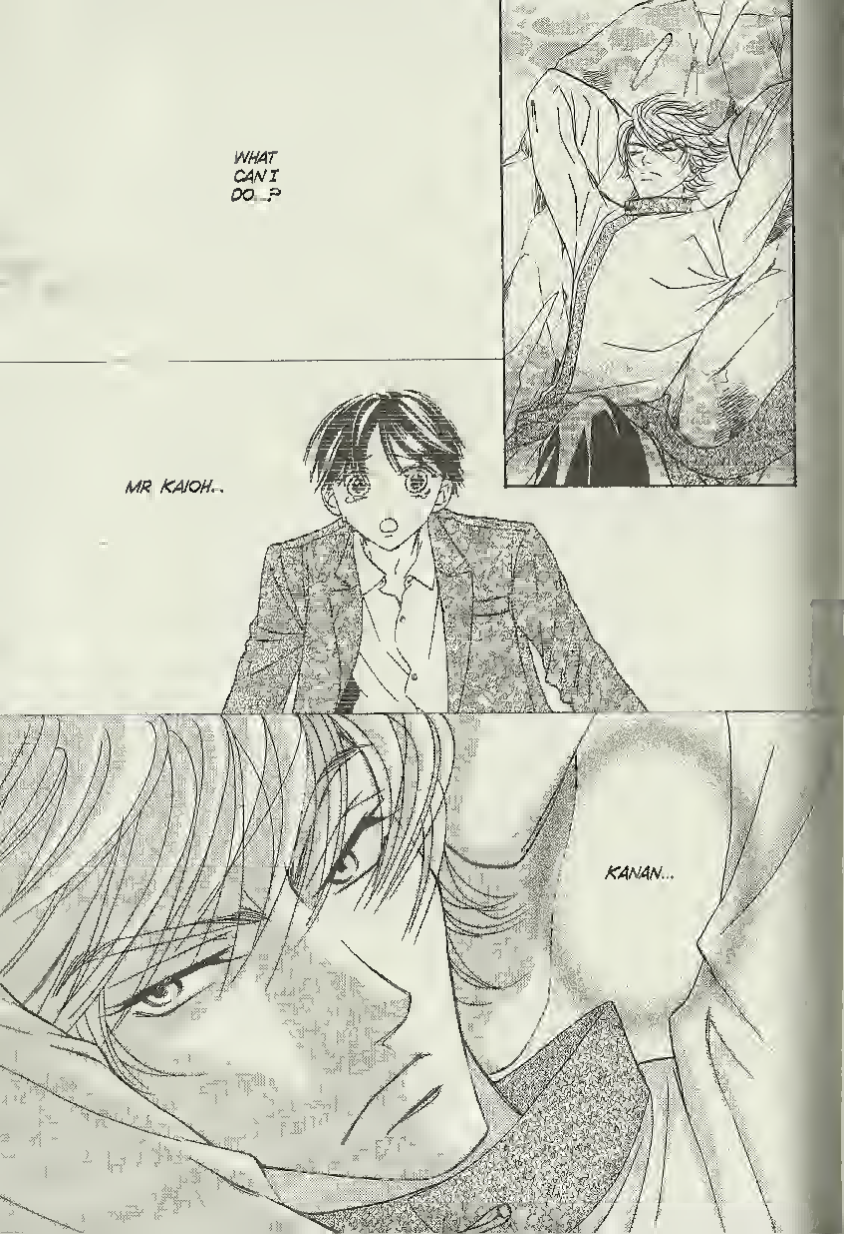
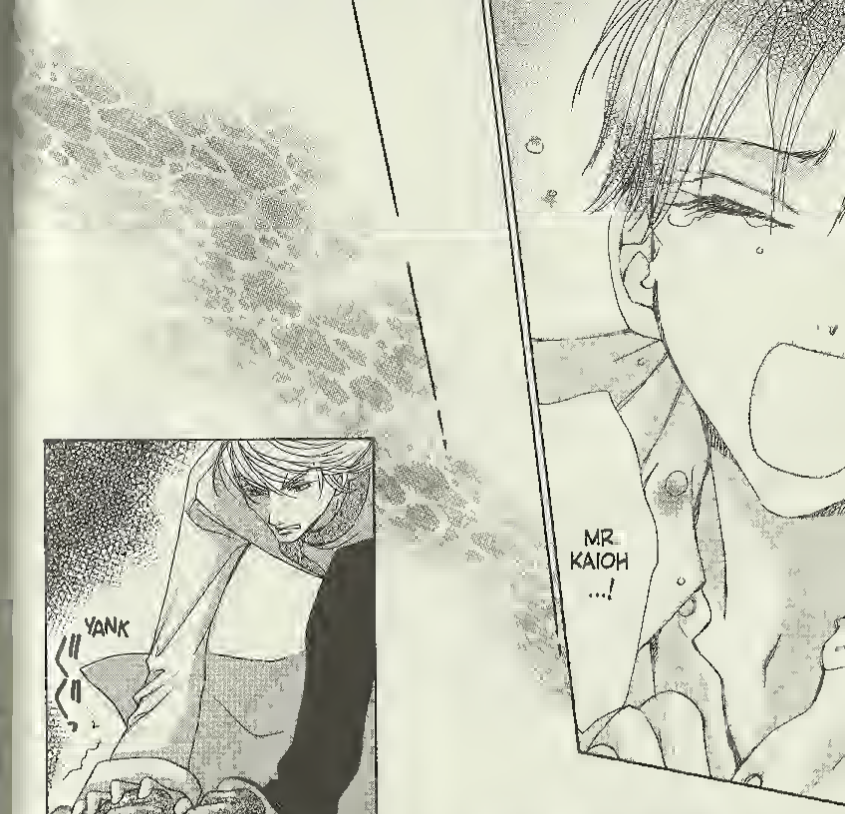
BUBB

H"
"/SPLASH
SORRY... NOT KAIOH.

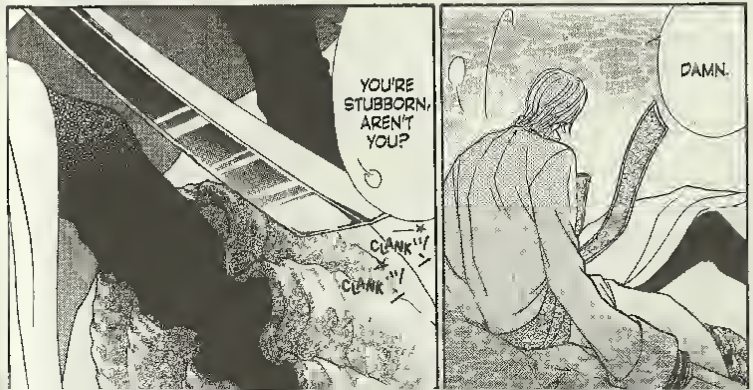
WH... WHERE'S MR. KAIOH...?
ON THE OCEAN FLOOR.

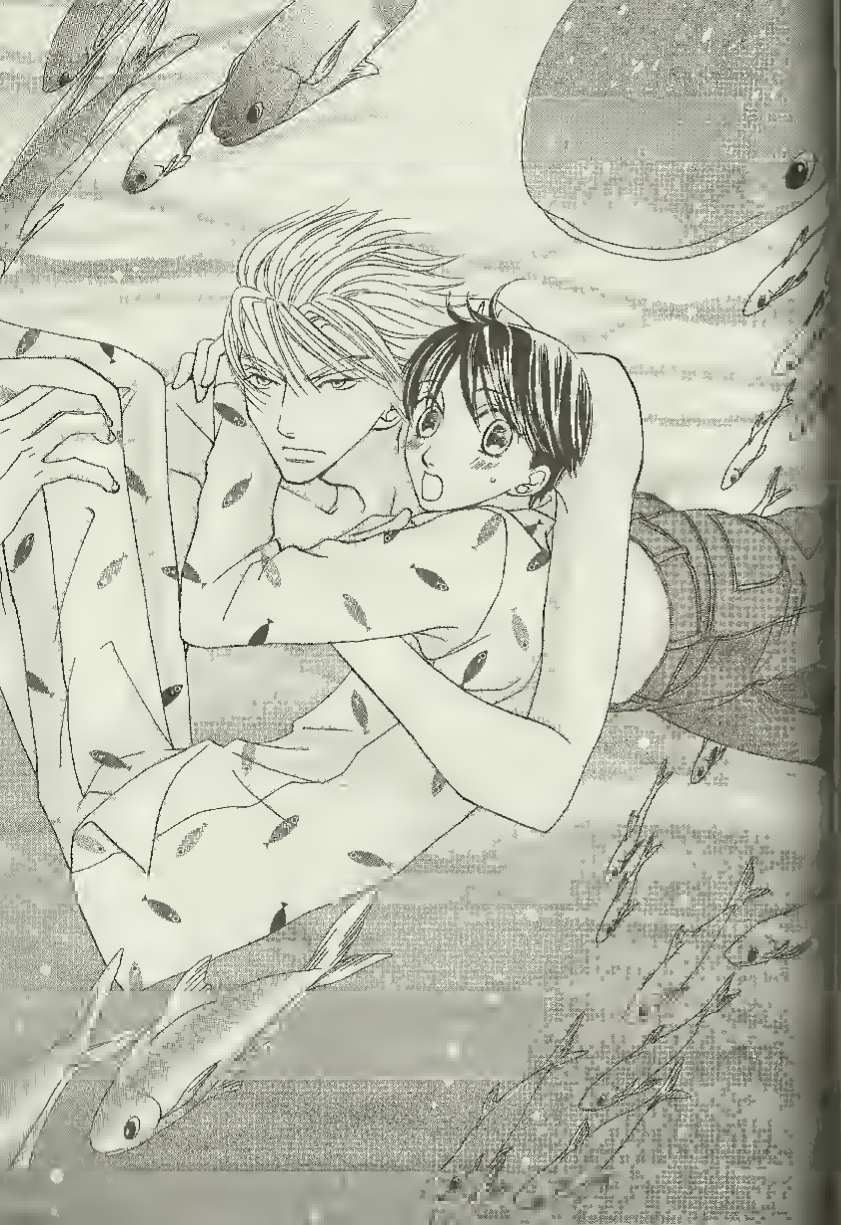
IT SEEMS A GIANT CLAM HAS TAKEN A LIKING TO HIM.
WHAT...?


WHAT CAN I DO...?
MR KAIOH..
KANAN...


MR. KAIOH ...!

YANK


YOU'RE STUBBORN, AREN'T YOU?
CLANK!!
CLANK!!
DAMN.



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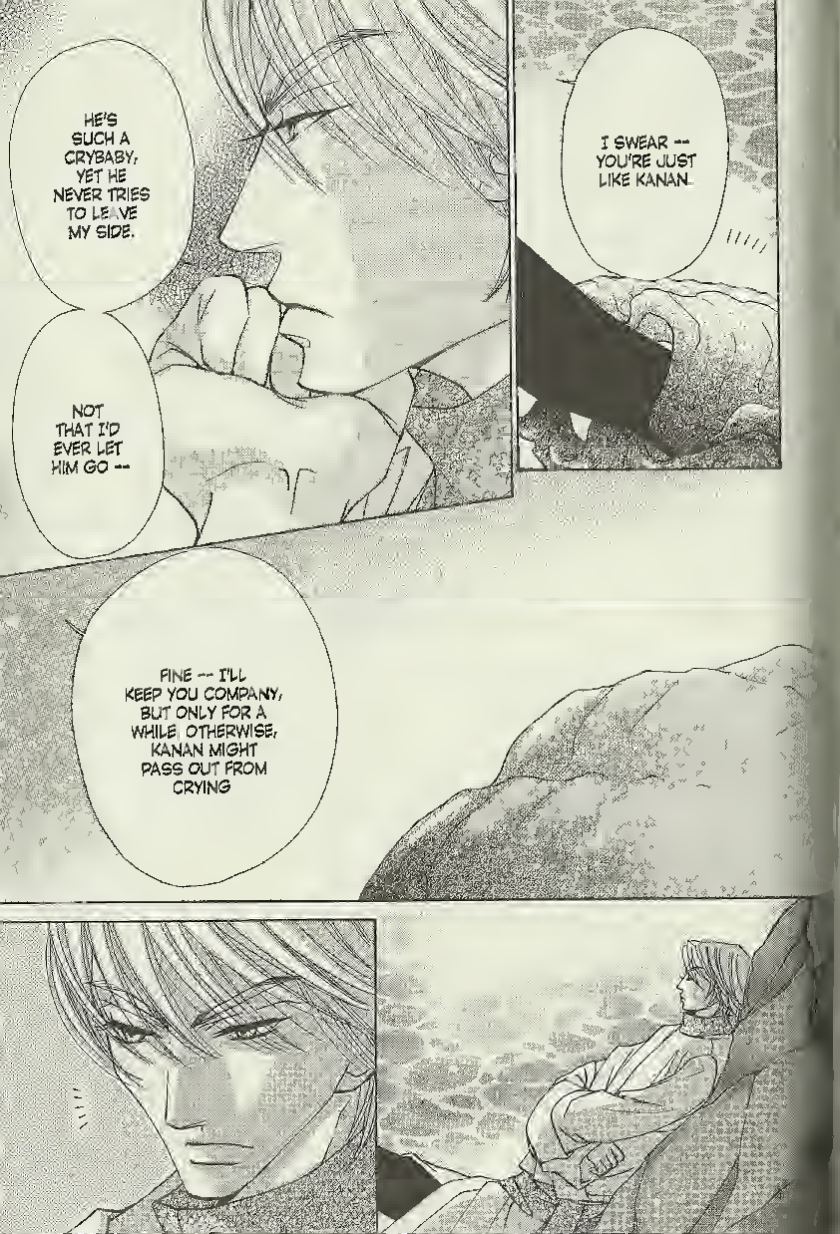
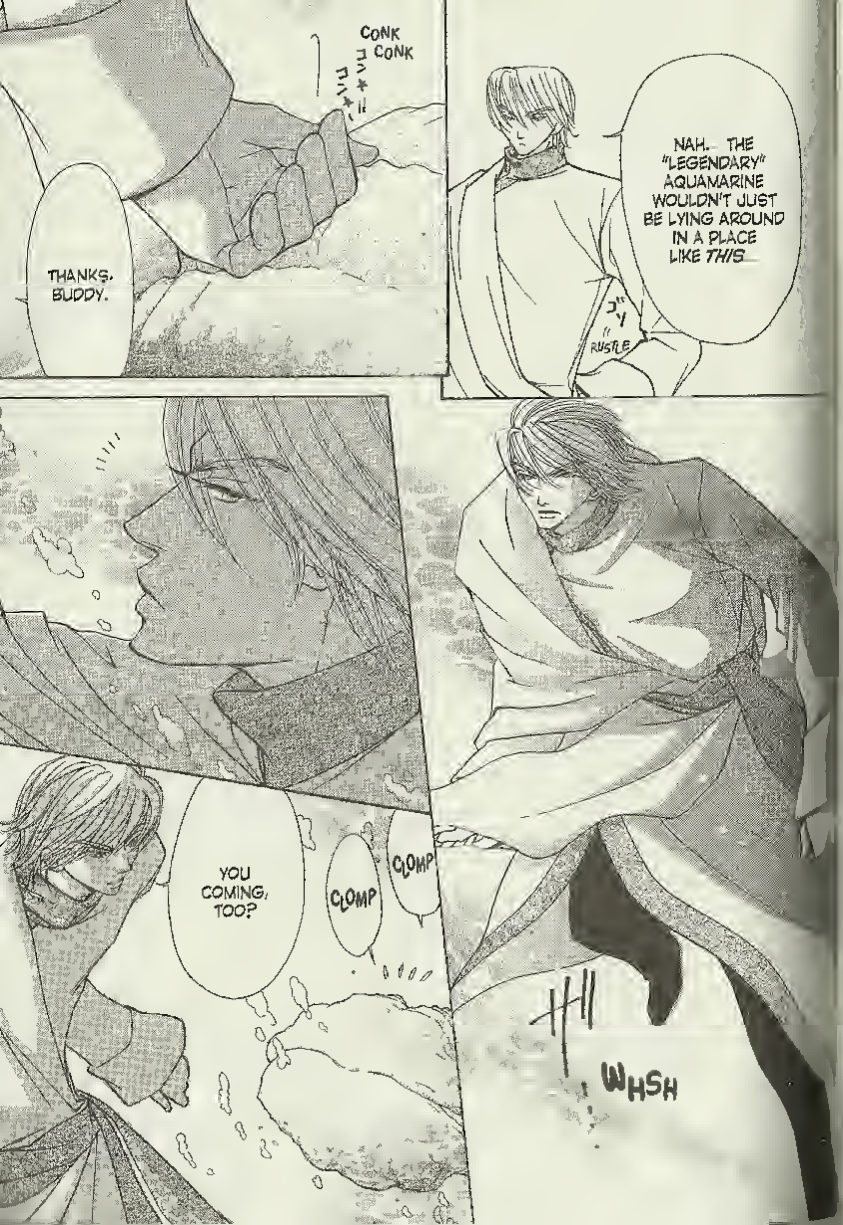
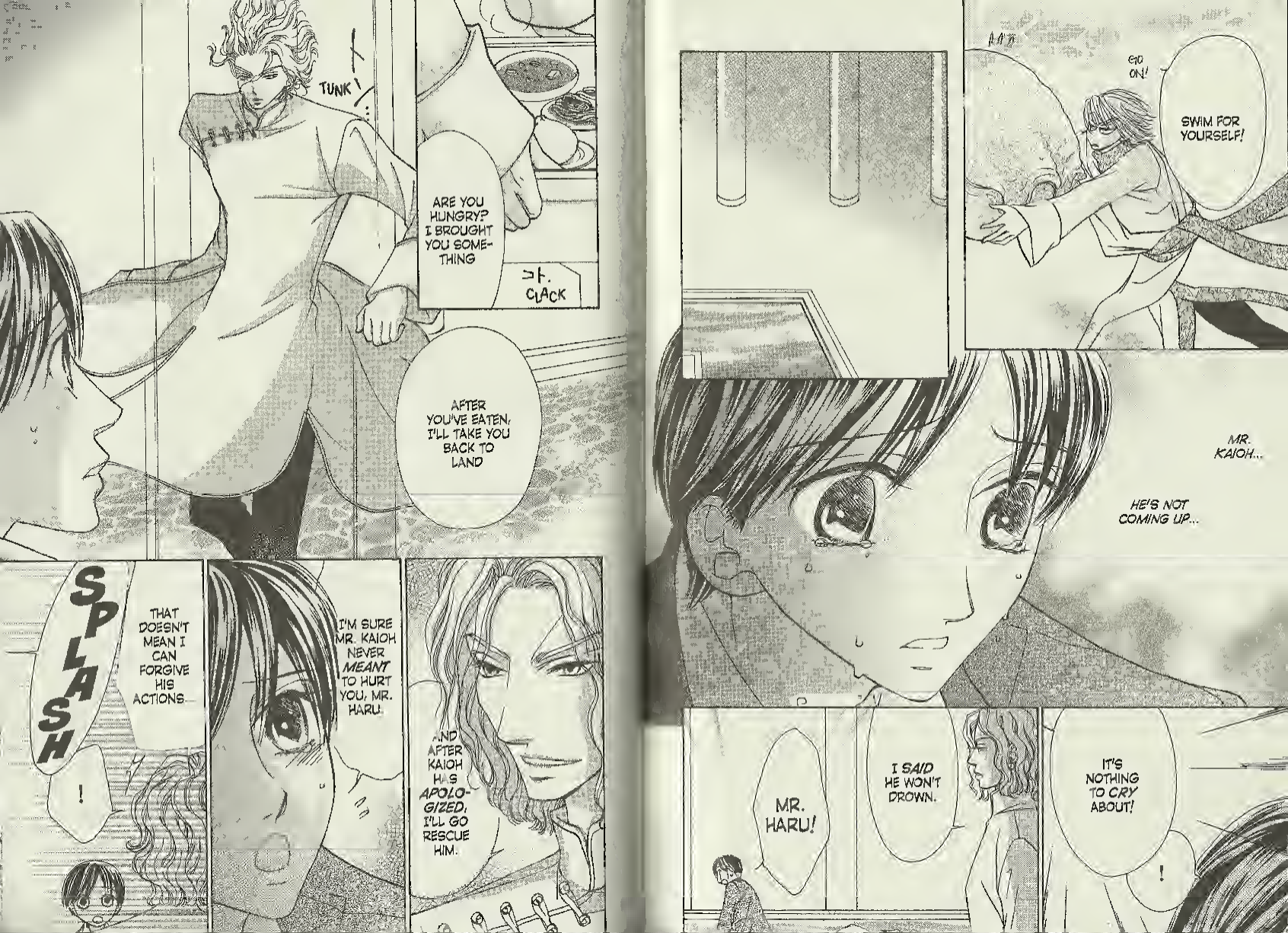

HE'S SUCH A CRYBABY, YET HE NEVER TRIES TO LEAVE MY SIDE.
NOT THAT I'D EVER LET HIM GO --
I SWEAR -- YOU'RE JUST LIKE KANAN.
FINE -- I'LL KEEP YOU COMPANY, BUT ONLY FOR A WHILE. OTHERWISE, KANAN MIGHT PASS OUT FROM CRYING

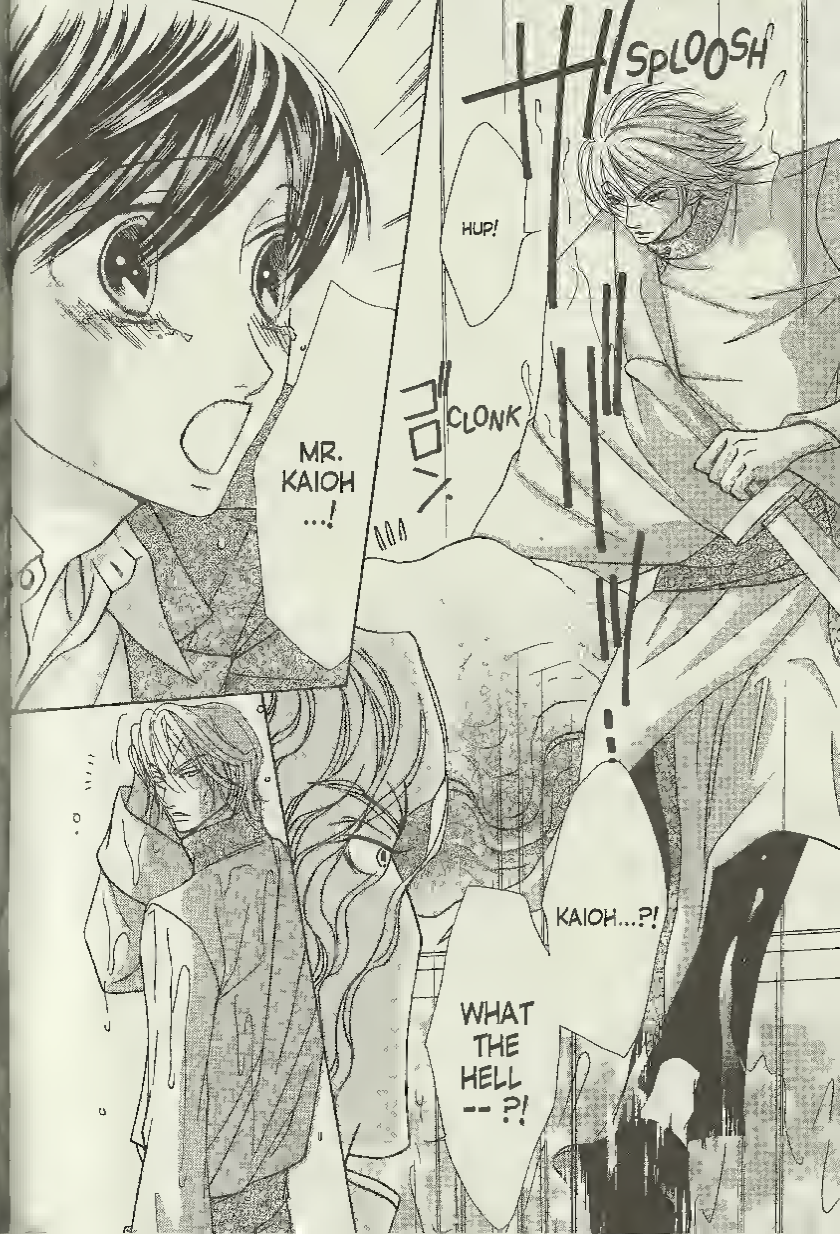
CLAMP
GLANCE
YAAAWN
SHEESHE -- YOU REALLY ARE STUBBORN
I GUESS YOU'D HAVE TO BE, LIVING DOWN HERE ON THE OCEAN FLOOR ALL ALONE


CONK CONK
THANKS, BUDDY.
NAH. THE "LEGENDARY" AQUAMARINE WOULDN'T JUST BE LYING AROUND IN A PLACE LIKE THIS
RUSTLE
YOU COMING, TOO?
CLOMP
CLOMP
WHSH

...
FIND ME THE LEGENDARY AQUAMARINE
THIS IS A BIG AQUA-MARINE -- YOU'RE GIVING IT TO ME?

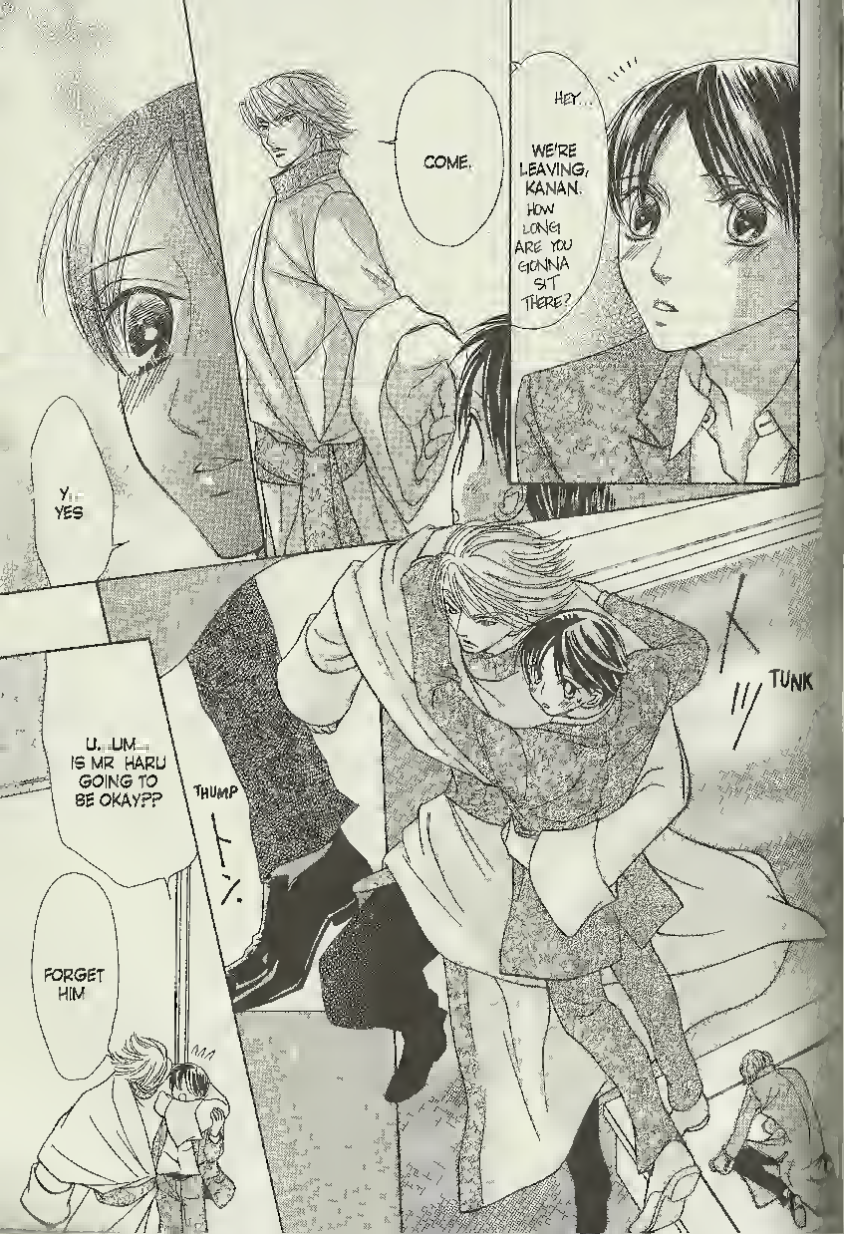

TUNK
ARE YOU HUNGRY? I BROUGHT YOU SOMETHING
CLACK
AFTER YOU'VE EATEN, I'LL TAKE YOU BACK TO LAND
SPLASH
!
THAT DOESN'T MEAN I CAN FORGIVE HIS ACTIONS...
I'M SURE MR. KAIOH NEVER *MEANT* TO HURT YOU, MR. HARU.
...AND AFTER KAIOH HAS *APOLOGIZED*, I'LL GO RESCUE HIM.
GO ON!
SWIM FOR YOURSELF!
MR. KAIOH...
HE'S NOT COMING UP...
MR. HARU!
I *SAID* HE WON'T DROWN.
IT'S NOTHING TO *CRY* ABOUT!
!

HARU, YOU JERK...
TCH
LUCK MUST'VE BEEN ON YOUR SIDE! OH, WELL -- WE'LL DUEL AGAIN
GLARE
YOU MADE KANAN CRY, DIDN'T YOU?
HUH?
WHAM
KRAK

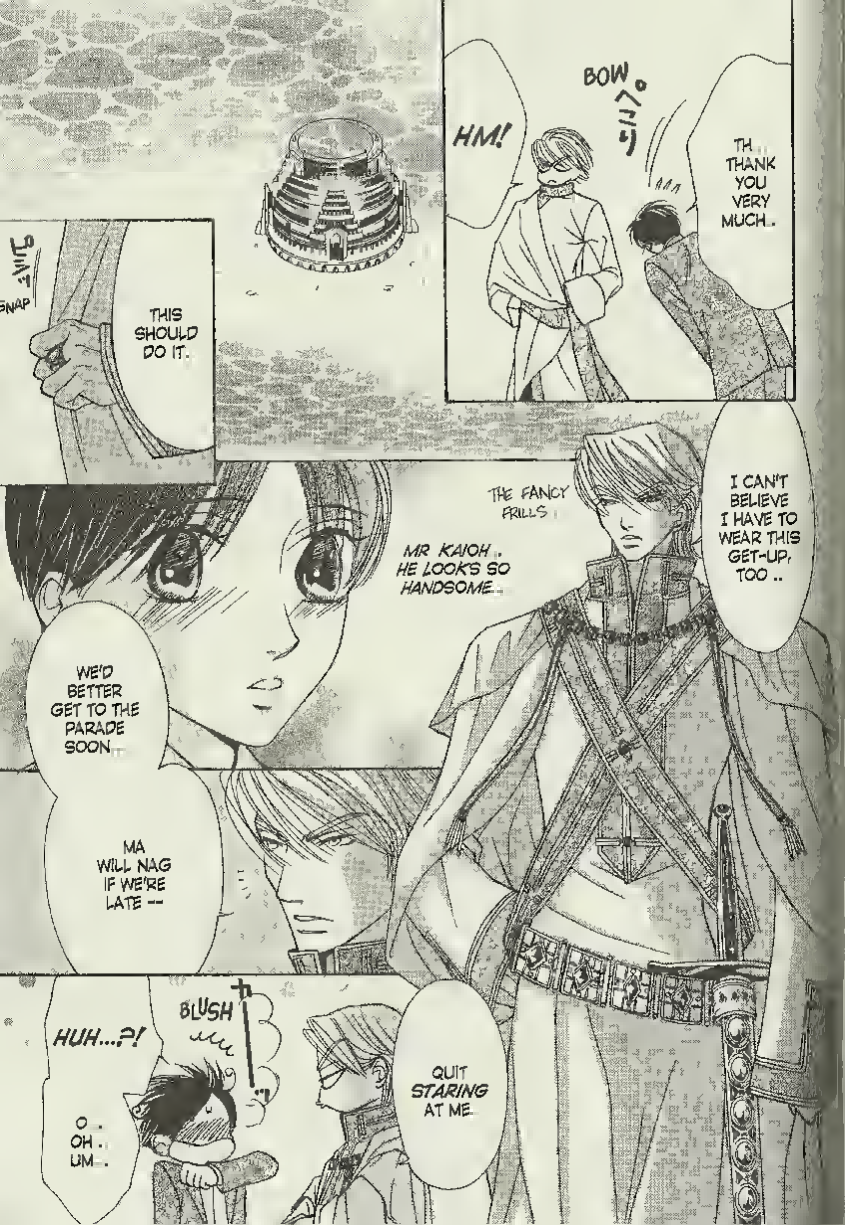

SPLOOSH
HUP!
CLONK
MR. KAIOH ...!
KAIOH...?!
WHAT THE HELL -- ?!

WHACK
BUT HE MADE YOU CRY.
KRAK
P-PLEASE STOP!
MR. KAIOH!
HMM...
BLUSH
IT WASN'T MR. HARU'S FAULT!
! IT'S BECAUSE I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU—

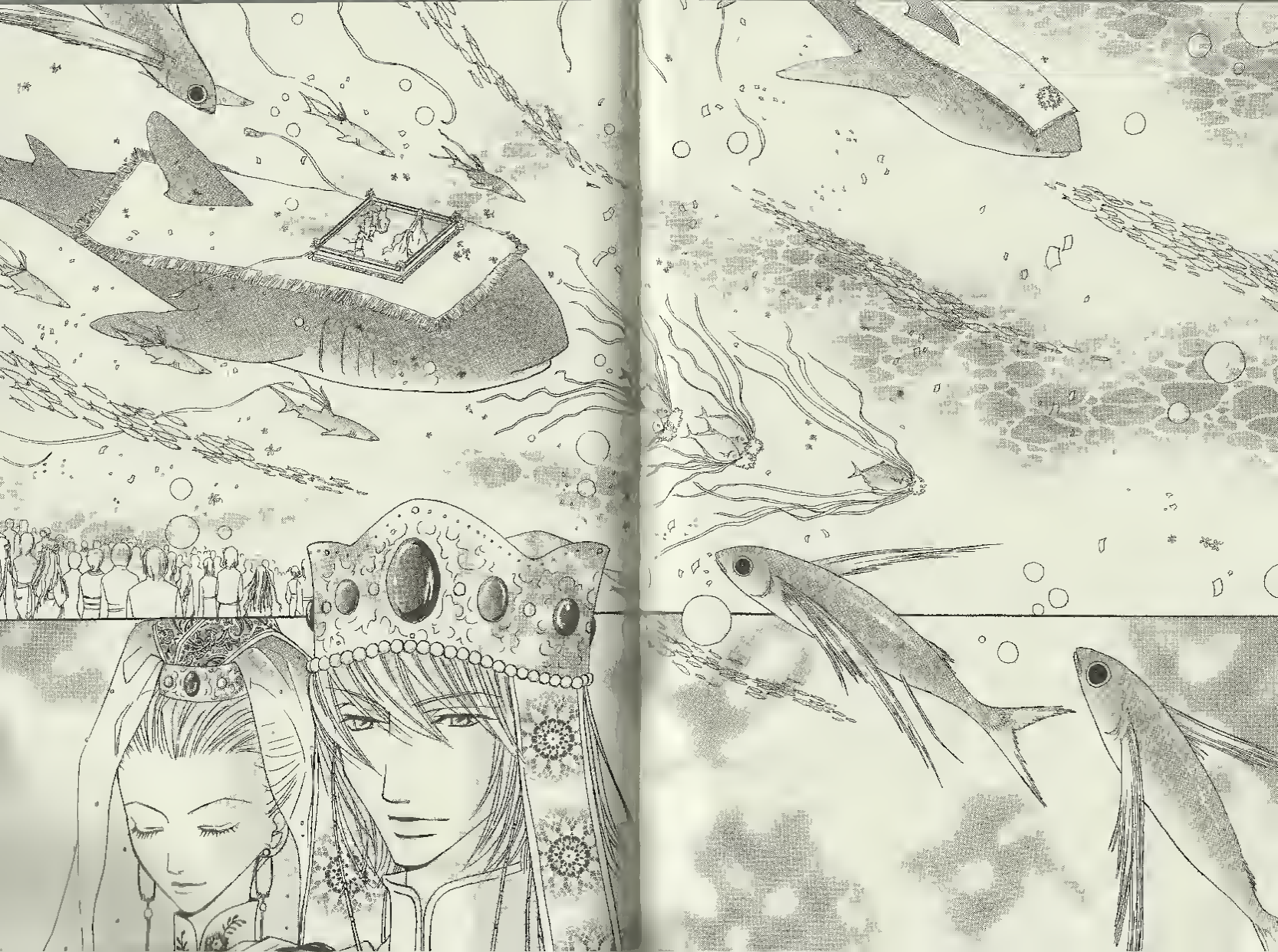
SHARK'S... ATTACK!
TCH
SPLASH
TURN

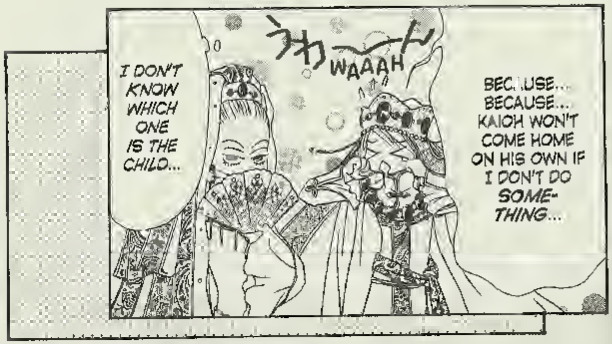

COME.
HEY...
WE'RE LEAVING, KANAN.
HOW LONG ARE YOU GONNA SIT THERE?
Y... YES
U...UM... IS MR HARU GOING TO BE OKAY??
THUMP
トン
TUNK
FORGET HIM

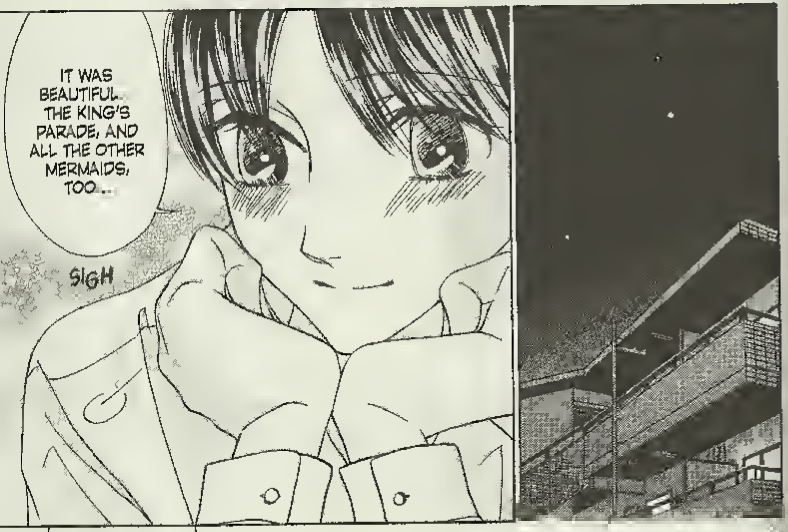
SOB
JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE STRONG, YOU THINK YOU CAN PUSH PEOPLE AROUND AND GET AWAY WITH IT!
HUH... SO IT'S ALL MY FAULT, IS IT?
I DON'T THINK THAT...
JERK! OTHER PEOPLE AREN'T YOUR TOYS!!
HMPH!
TOTALLY SERIOUS
MR KAIOH...!
I JUST DO IT 'CAUSE IT'S FUN.

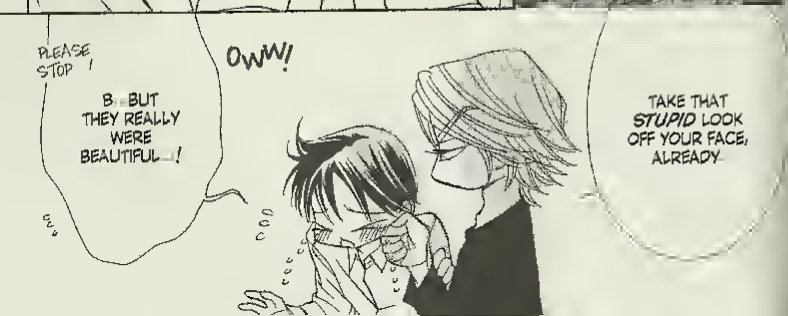

BOW
HM!
TH... THANK YOU VERY MUCH..
SNAP
THIS SHOULD DO IT.
THE FANCY FRILLS!
MR KAIOH.. HE LOOK'S SO HANDSOME..
I CAN'T BELIEVE I HAVE TO WEAR THIS GET-UP, TOO ..
WE'D BETTER GET TO THE PARADE SOON...
MA WILL NAG IF WE'RE LATE --
HUH...?!
BLUSH
O.. OH.. UM..
QUIT STARING AT ME.

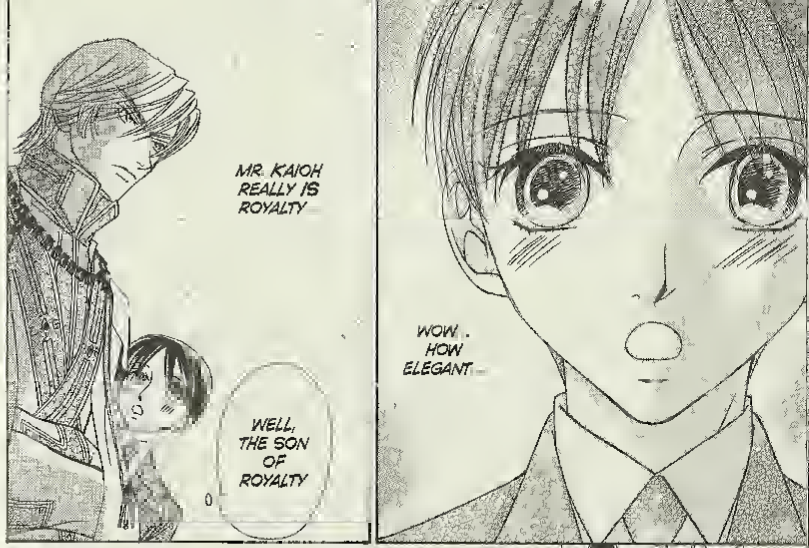
WOW... WHAT A BEAUTIFUL STONE... IS IT A JEWEL..?
HUH?
IT'S YOURS.
NEVER MIND ALL THAT -- HERE
HUH?
O... OKAY...
IT'S YOURS.
WHAT..? B-BUT ISN'T IT A PRECIOUS --?
I SAID IT'S YOURS




I DON'T KNOW WHICH ONE IS THE CHILD...
うわーん WAAAH
BEC..USE... BECAUSE... KAIOH WON'T COME HOME ON HIS OWN IF I DON'T DO SOME-THING...


IT WAS BEAUTIFUL. THE KING'S PARADE, AND ALL THE OTHER MERMAIDS, TOO...
SIGH


PLEASE STOP!
B..BUT THEY REALLY WERE BEAUTIFUL..!
OWW!
TAKE THAT STUPID LOOK OFF YOUR FACE, ALREADY.


MR. KAIOH REALLY IS ROYALTY
WELL, THE SON OF ROYALTY
WOW. HOW ELEGANT...

!

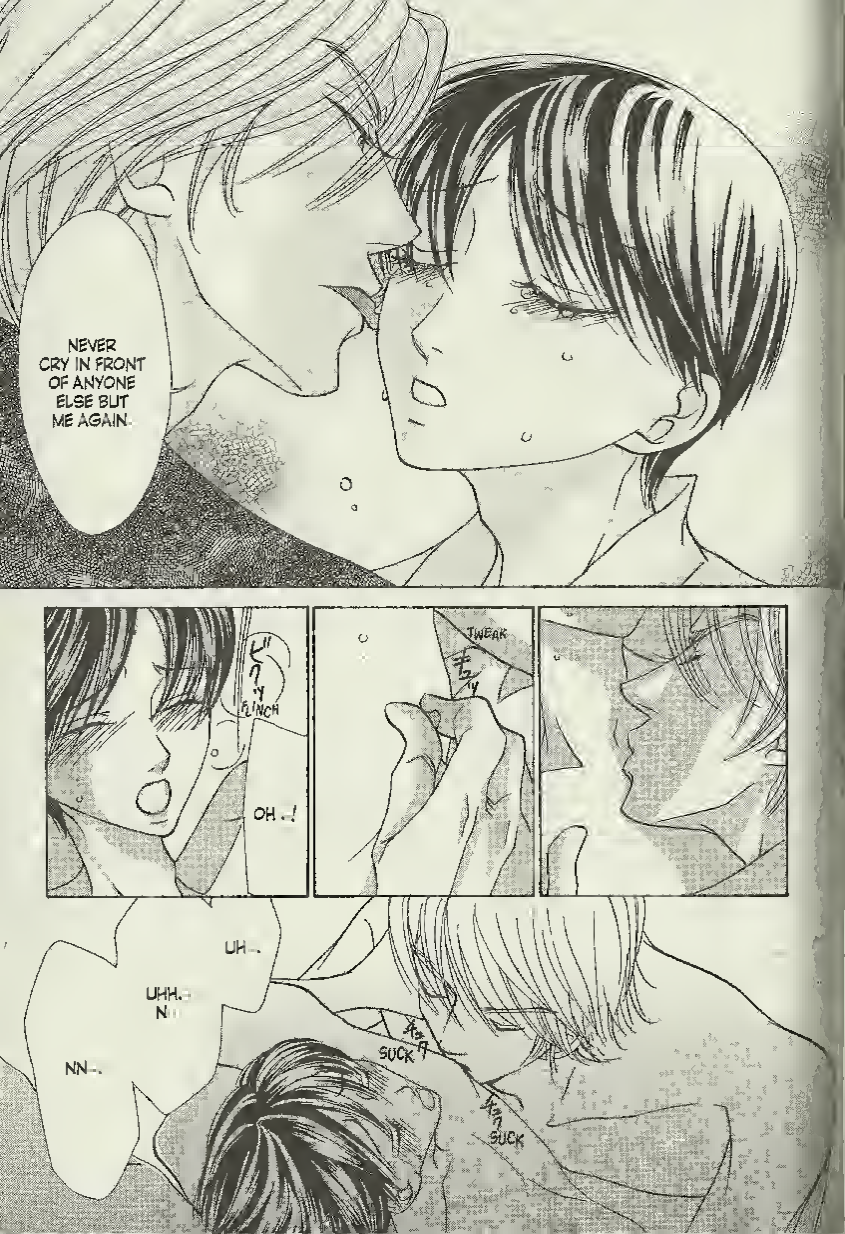
HURRAY!
YAAY
OH, IT'S KAIOH AND HIS FRIEND --

IF YOU DON'T KNOW, WHY DID YOU TELL KAIOH TO LOOK FOR IT?
THAT'S... NOT IT, IS IT?

!
FORCED TO BRING IT
HAS NEVER ACTUALLY SEEN IT
THAT HUGE AQUAMARINE... COULD IT BE...?

HUFF
MUST BE FROM MY FIGHT WITH THAT IDIOT, HARU
YOUR WRIST—
MR KAIOH—

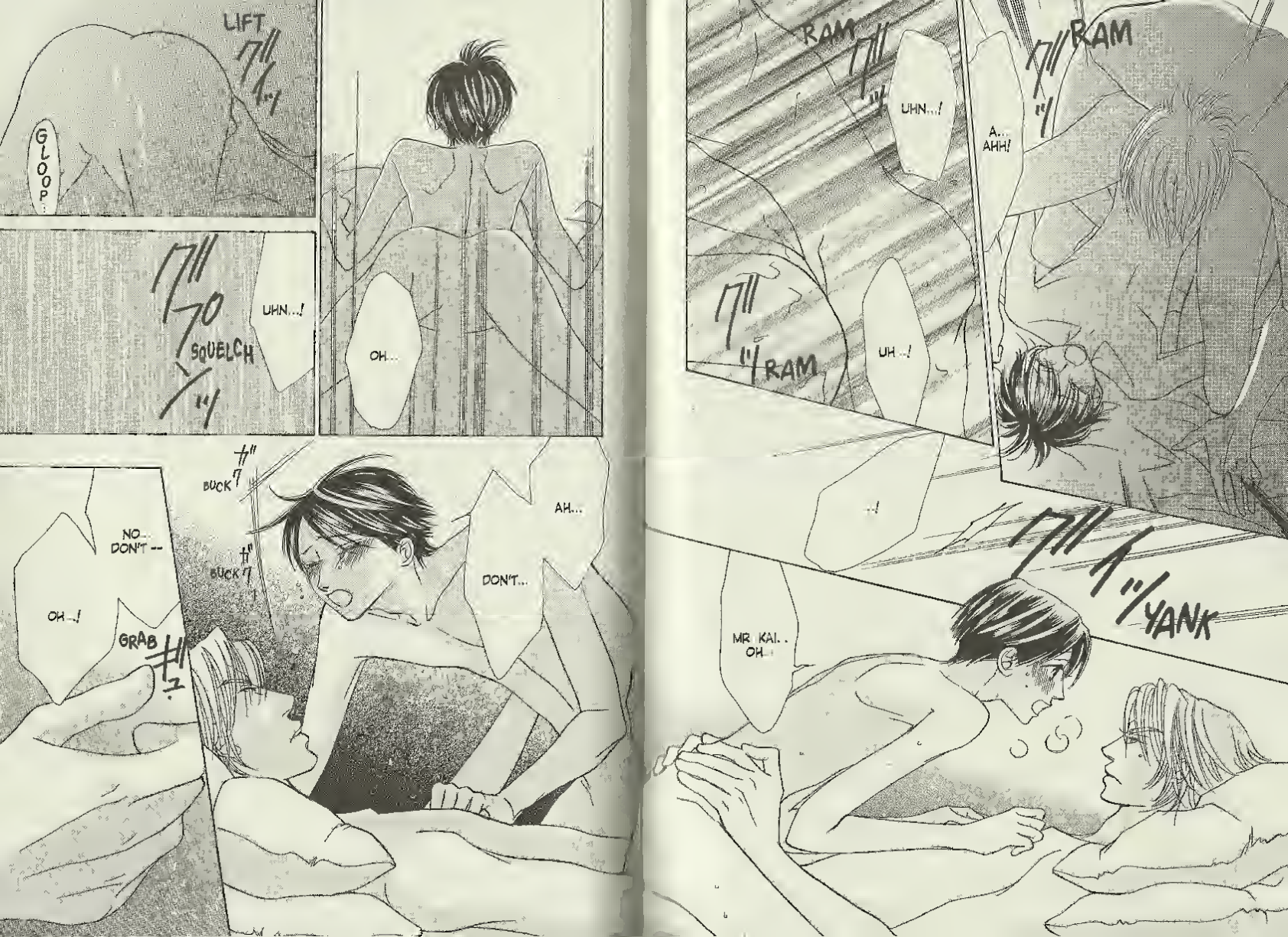
MR KAIOH—
!
BUT "THEY" AREN'T "ME".
グイッ
LIFT


NEVER CRY IN FRONT OF ANYONE ELSE BUT ME AGAIN.
PINCH
OH..!
TWEAK
UH...
UHH...
NN...
SUCK
SUCK

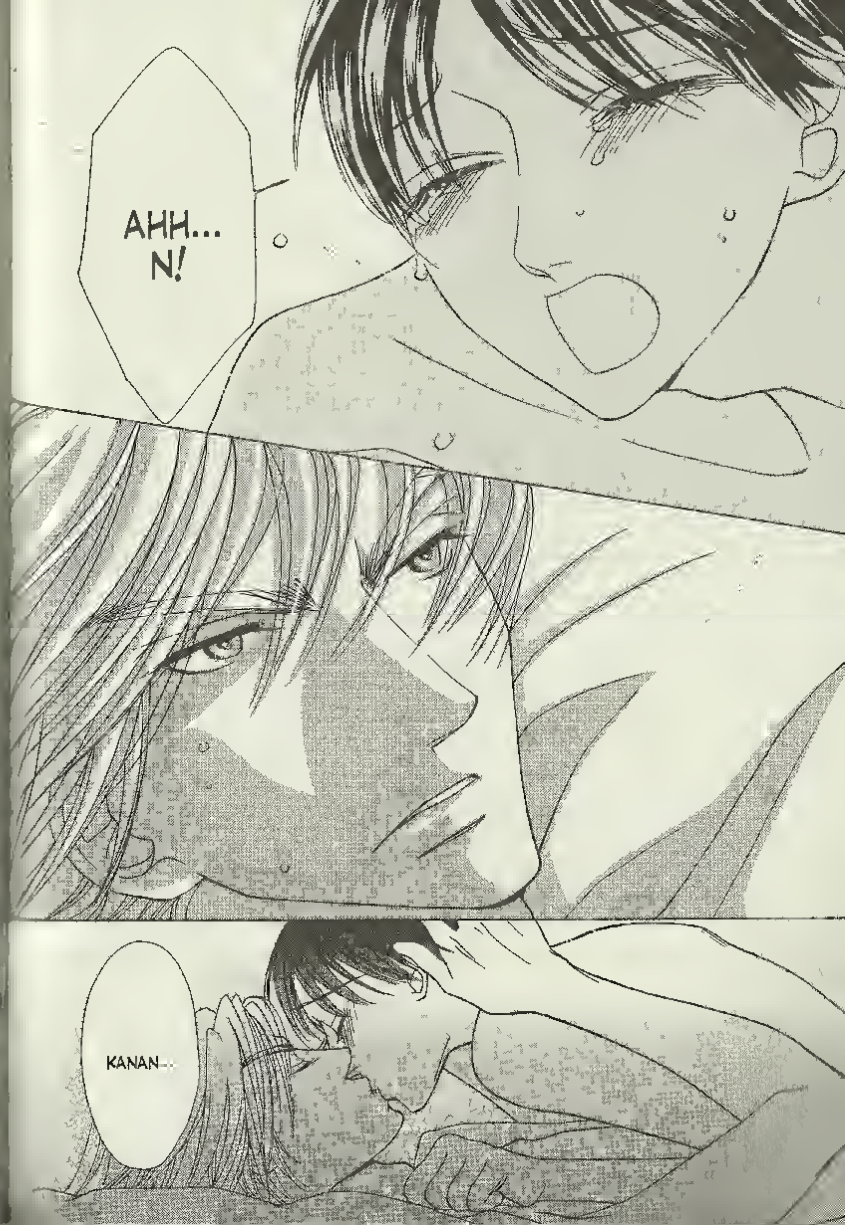
HUG
KANAN?
IT'S MY FAULT..
I PROMISE... I WON'T GET CAUGHT LIKE THAT AGAIN..!
ALL RIGHT.
DUMMY

OH...!
AH...!
GO
CLOMP
UH...
UHH... N!
UH... NN...
MR. KAIOH...
YANK
LICK
HERE I GO, KANAN

FLINCH
NOT THERE...
N... NO...
U... UHN...!
SPREAD
OH..
SLIDE
LICK
LICK
NNF... NN...

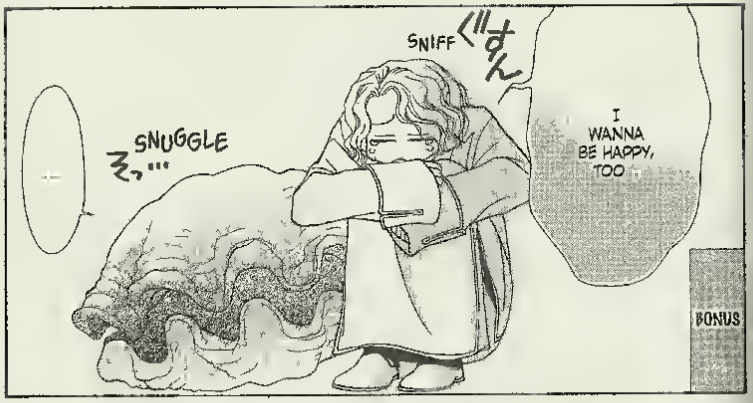

LIFT
GLOOP
UHN...!
SQUELCH
OH...
BUCK
NO... DON'T --
OH...!
GRAB
AH...
DON'T...
RAM
UHN...!
A... AHH!
UH...!
YANK
MR. KAI.. OH...!

DON'T LOSE THAT STONE
THE ONE I GAVE YOU.
OH...
WHAT...?
HUFF...
THE KING...?
MY OLD MAN TOLD ME
I HEAR THE AQUAMARINE IS A SYMBOL OF COURAGE
IT'S PERFECT FOR A CRYBABY LIKE YOU, KANAN.


AHH... N!
KANAN...

YES...

BUT I'VE RECEIVED MORE THAN NORMAL HAPPINESS, TOGETHER WITH MY MR. MERMAID.



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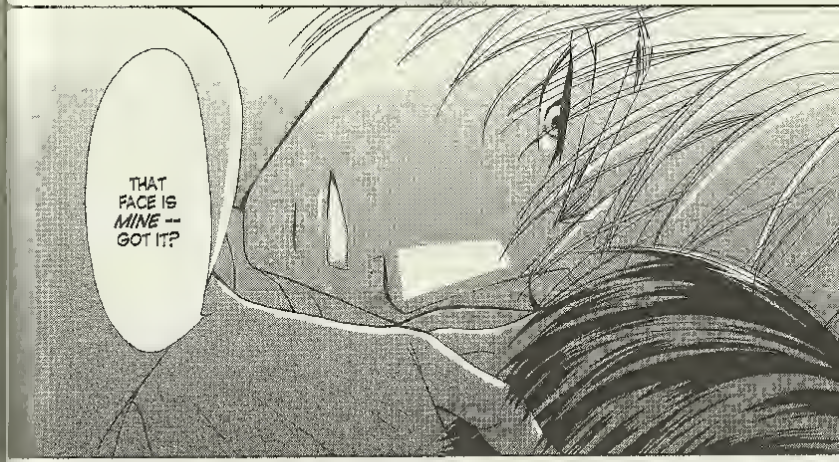
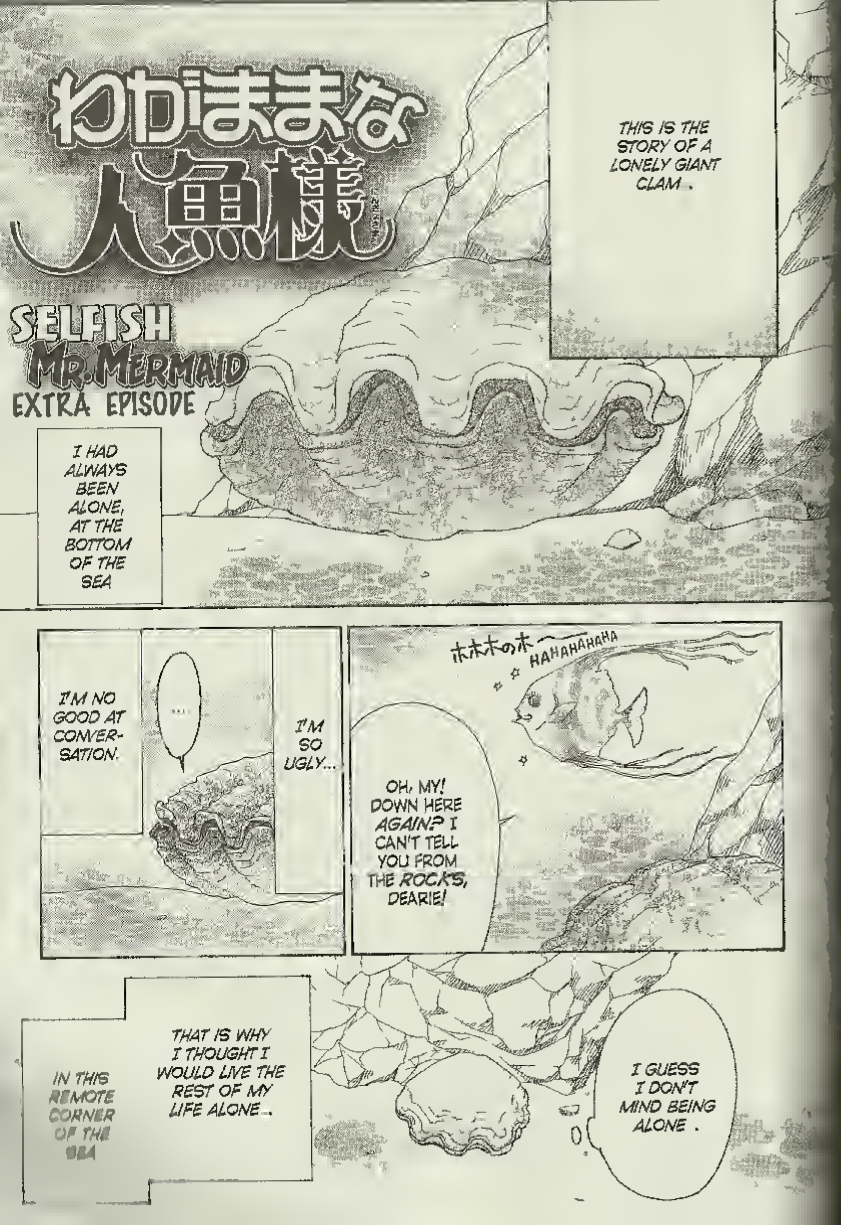
NEVER SHOW YOUR CRYING FACE TO ANYONE ELSE BUT ME

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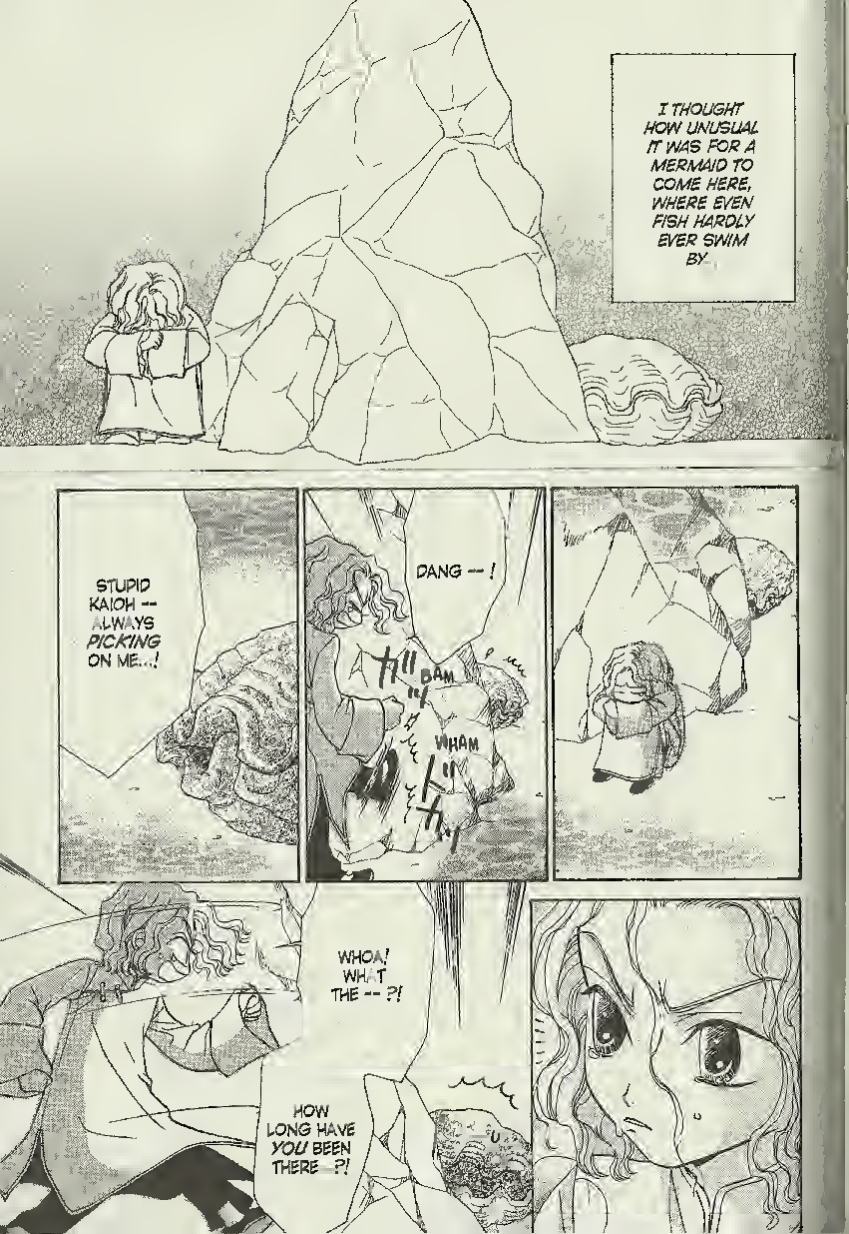
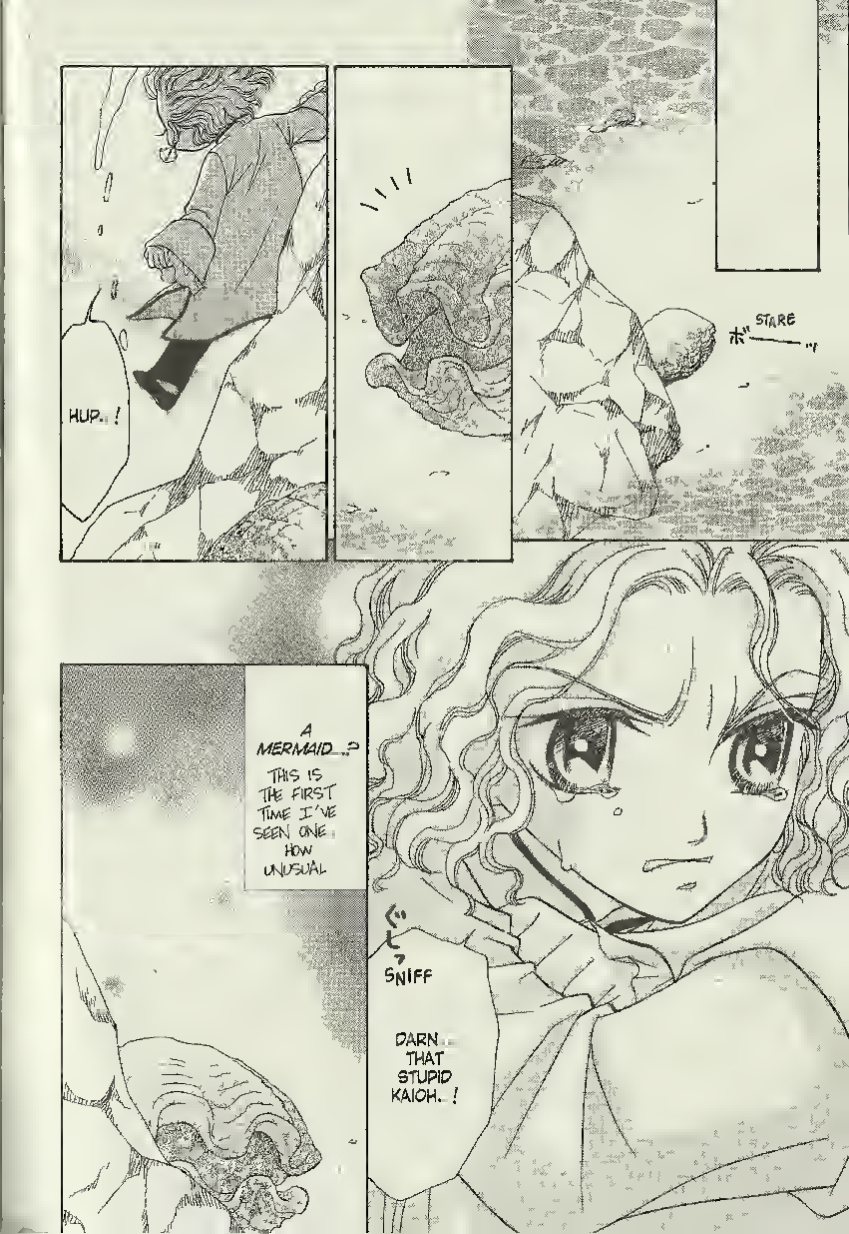
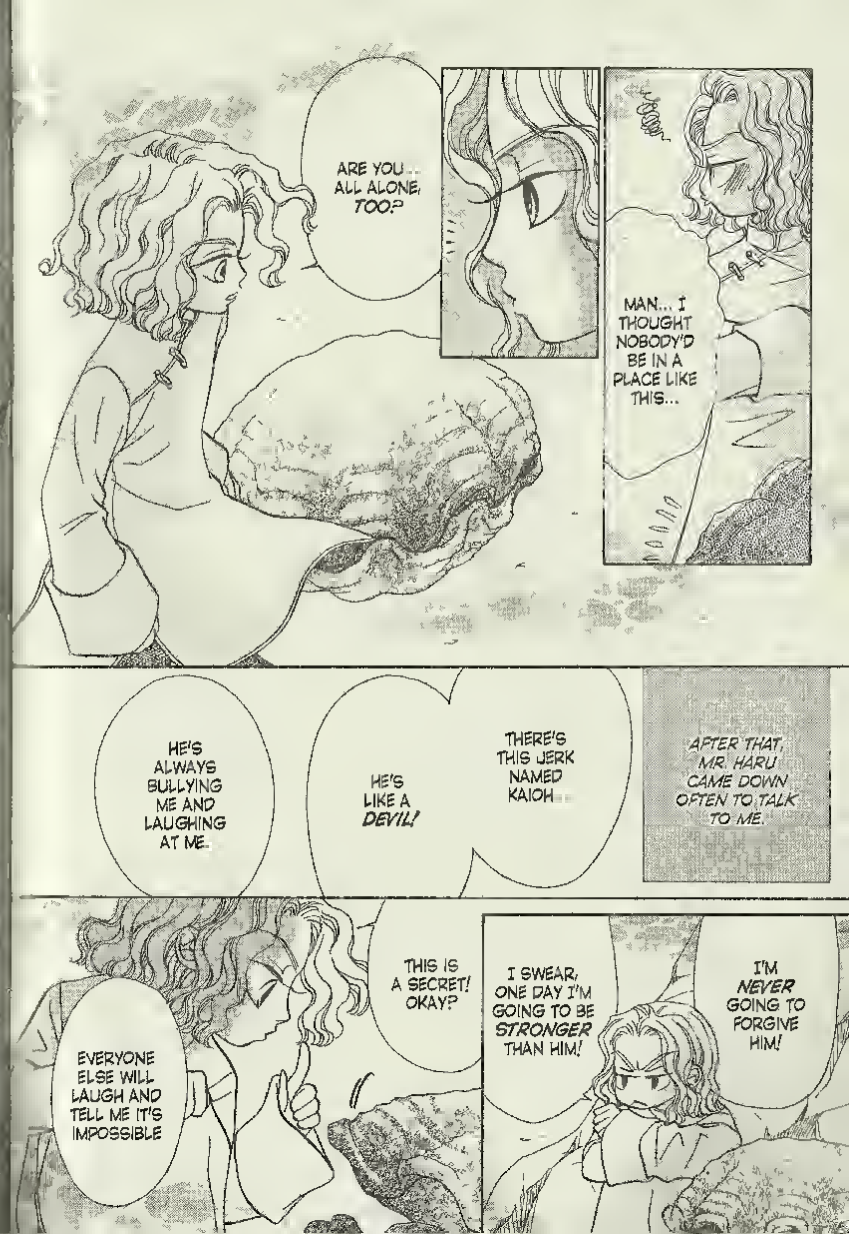
SELFISH MR.MERMAID
EXTRA EPISODE
THIS IS THE STORY OF A LONELY GIANT CLAM .
I HAD ALWAYS BEEN ALONE, AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA
I'M NO GOOD AT CONVER-SATION.
...
I'M SO UGLY...
ホホホのホ～ HAHAHAHAHA
OH, MY! DOWN HERE AGAIN? I CAN'T TELL YOU FROM THE ROCKS, DEARIE!
IN THIS REMOTE CORNER OF THE SEA
THAT IS WHY I THOUGHT I WOULD LIVE THE REST OF MY LIFE ALONE .
I GUESS I DON'T MIND BEING ALONE .

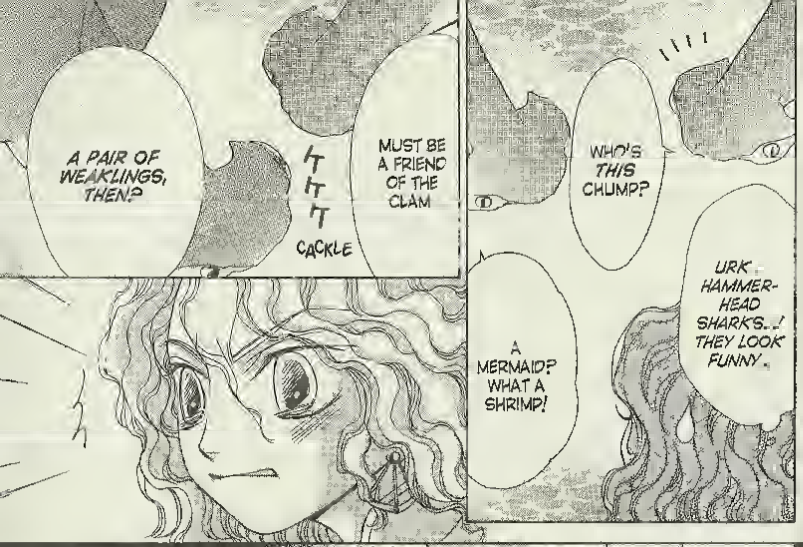
selfish Mr.mermaid


I THOUGHT HOW UNUSUAL IT WAS FOR A MERMAID TO COME HERE, WHERE EVEN FISH HARDLY EVER SWIM BY.
STUPID KAIOH -- ALWAYS PICKING ON ME...!
DANG -- !
BAM
WHAM
WHOA! WHAT THE -- ?!
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN THERE ?!


HUP..!
STARE
A MERMAID...?
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN ONE. HOW UNUSUAL
SNIFF
DARN... THAT STUPID KAIOH..!

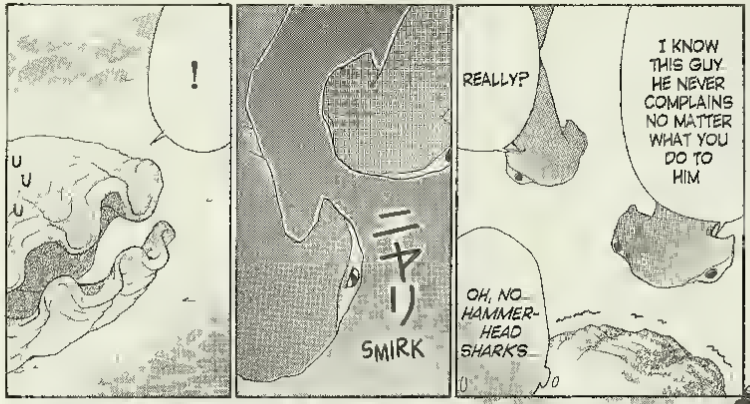
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE...
I NEVER THOUGHT THIS WOULD HAPPEN
WHO DOESN'T MAKE FUN OF ME OR BULLY ME.
HE'S THE ONLY ONE, TOO.
SO FOR ME...
HE SAYS I'M THE ONLY ONE
HE TELLS ME THAT HE LIKES ME FOR THE WAY I AM.
HUH? WHAT'S THIS? IT'S A GIANT CLAM

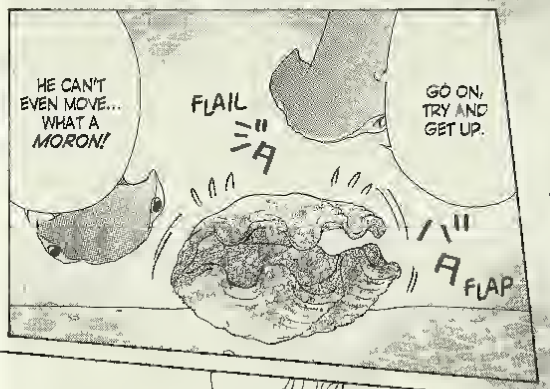

ARE YOU... ALL ALONE, TOO?
MAN... I THOUGHT NOBODY'D BE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...
HE'S ALWAYS BULLYING ME AND LAUGHING AT ME.
HE'S LIKE A DEVIL!
THERE'S THIS JERK NAMED KAIOH...
AFTER THAT, MR. HARU CAME DOWN OFTEN TO TALK TO ME.
EVERYONE ELSE WILL LAUGH AND TELL ME IT'S IMPOSSIBLE
THIS IS A SECRET! OKAY?
I SWEAR, ONE DAY I'M GOING TO BE STRONGER THAN HIM!
I'M NEVER GOING TO FORGIVE HIM!


A PAIR OF WEAKLINGS, THEN?
MUST BE A FRIEND OF THE CLAM
CACKLE
WHO'S THIS CHUMP?
URK - HAMMER-HEAD SHARK'S..! THEY LOOK FUNNY.
A MERMAID? WHAT A SHRIMP!

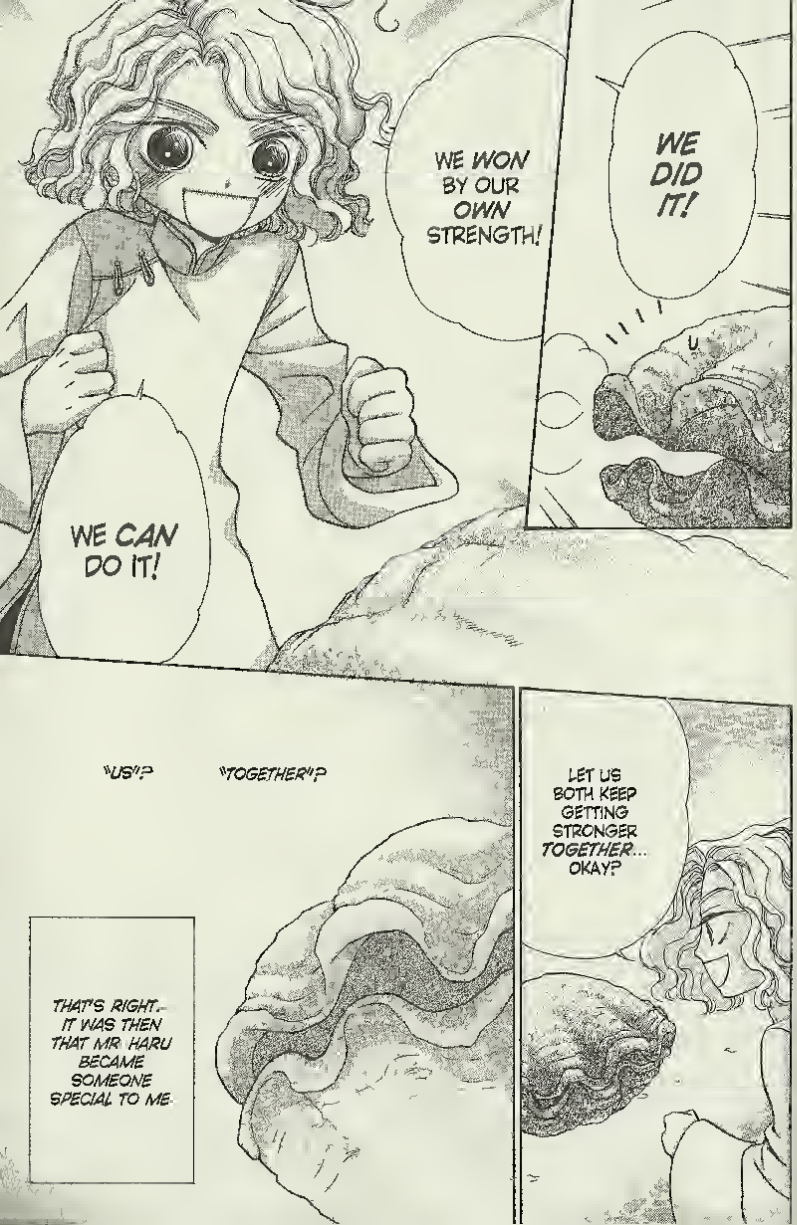
EH..?
I'M NOT..!
CLENCH
I'M NOT A WEAKLING...

!
BONK
WHAM
I'M NOT A WEAK-LING!!


!
SMIRK
REALLY?
I KNOW THIS GUY. HE NEVER COMPLAINS NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO TO HIM
OH, NO... HAMMER-HEAD SHARK'S...

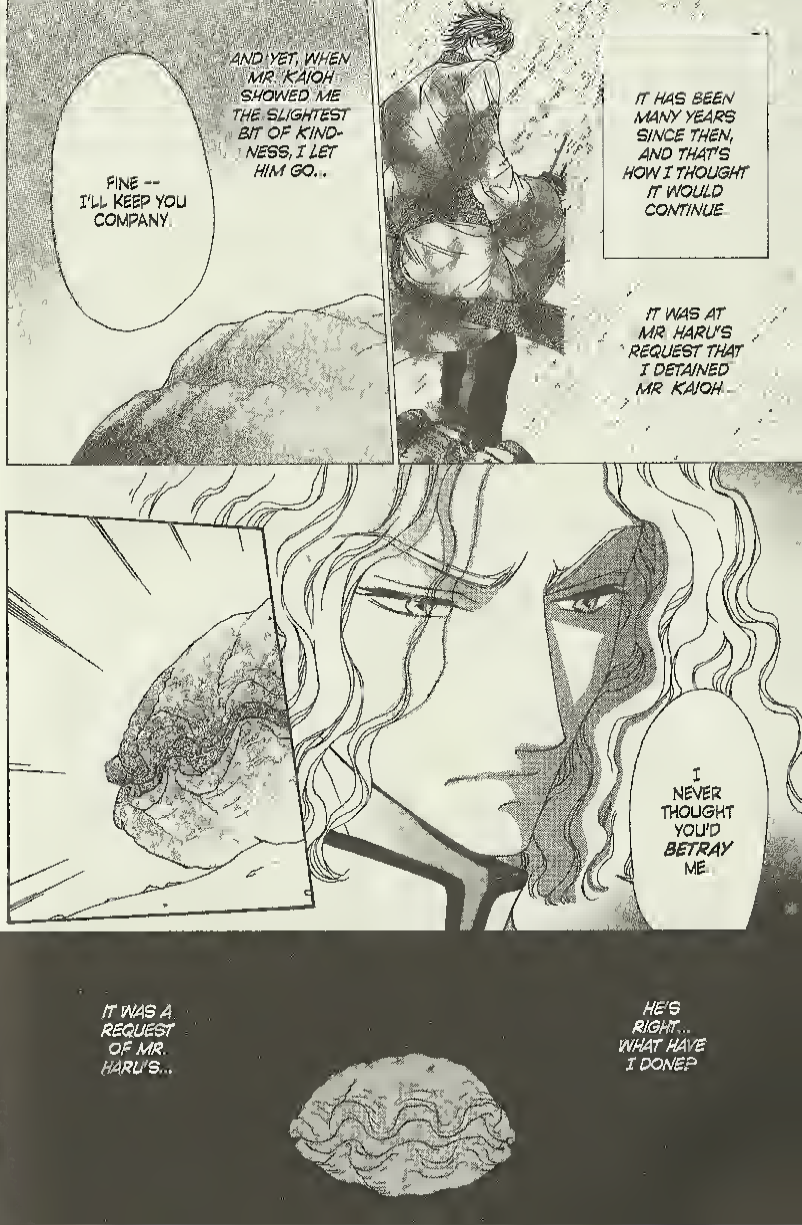

HE CAN'T EVEN MOVE... WHAT A MORON!
FLAIL
GO ON, TRY AND GET UP.
FLAP

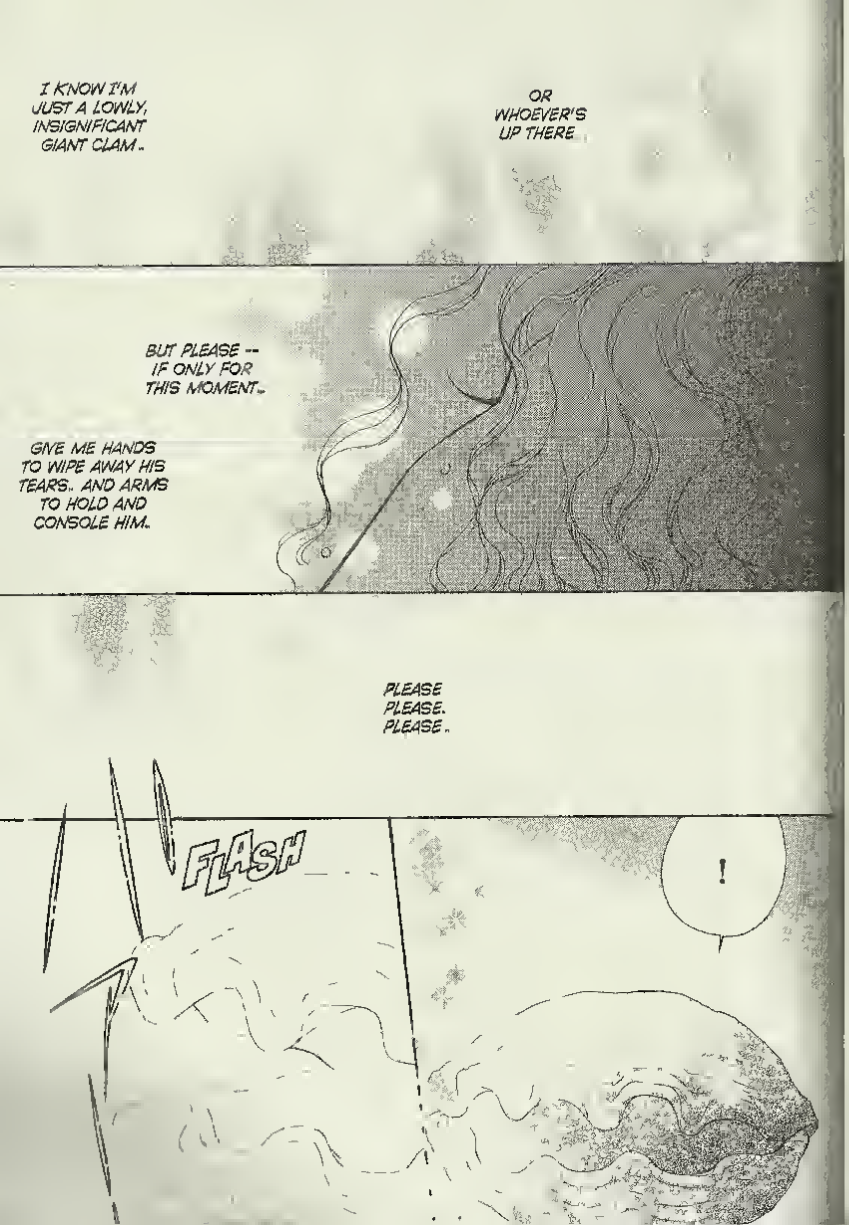
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING?!

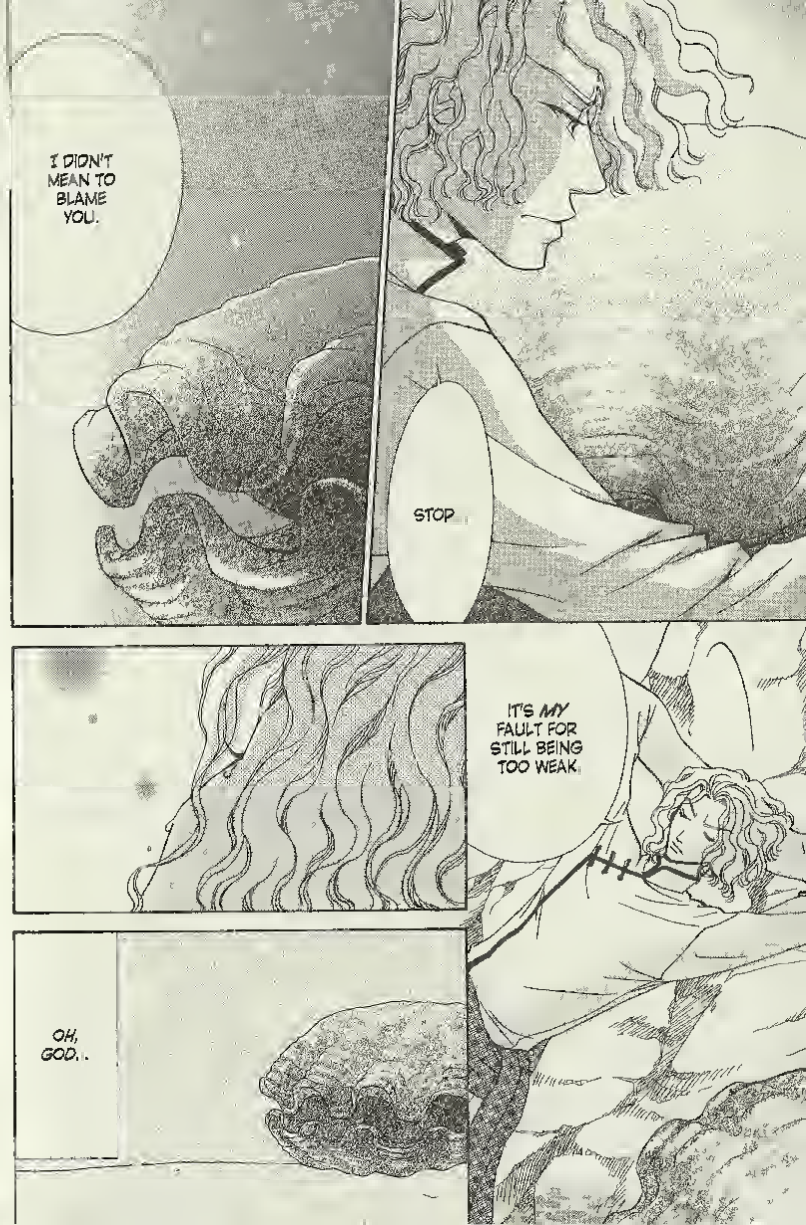

WE CAN DO IT!
WE WON BY OUR OWN STRENGTH!
WE DID IT!
"US"!?
"TOGETHER"!?
LET US BOTH KEEP GETTING STRONGER TOGETHER... OKAY?
THAT'S RIGHT... IT WAS THEN THAT MR. HARU BECAME SOMEONE SPECIAL TO ME.

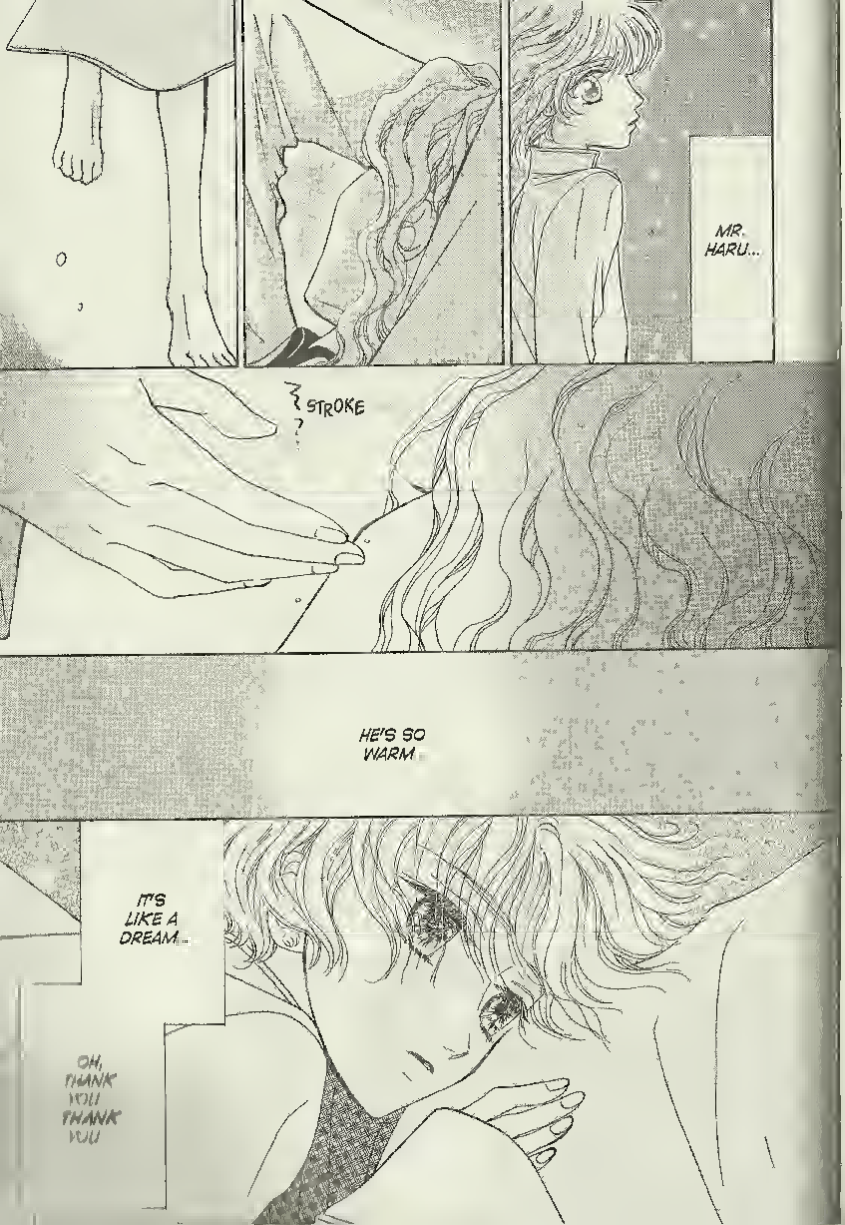
DON'T MESS WITH US --!
GRRR!!
WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?!
GAH!
WHAM
WE WON'T FORGET THIS, YOU JERKS!
URK!
OW!
OW... OW!
BONK!

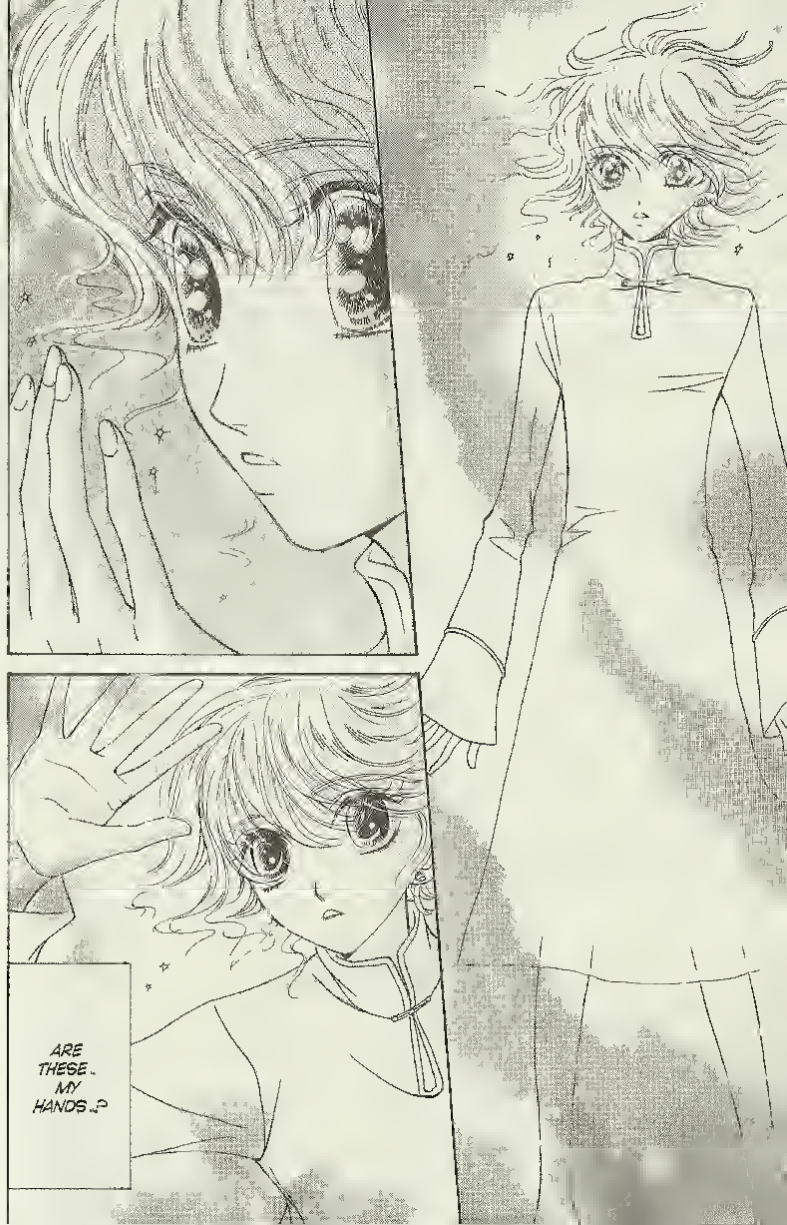
AND I LET HIM DOWN...!
WHAM !!
STOP..
WHAT..-?!
WHACK !!
WHAM !!
STOP!!


FINE -- I'LL KEEP YOU COMPANY.
AND YET, WHEN MR. KAIOH SHOWED ME THE SLIGHTEST BIT OF KINDNESS, I LET HIM GO..
IT HAS BEEN MANY YEARS SINCE THEN, AND THAT'S HOW I THOUGHT IT WOULD CONTINUE.
IT WAS AT MR. HARU'S REQUEST THAT I DETAINED MR. KAIOH.
I NEVER THOUGHT YOU'D BETRAY ME.
IT WAS A REQUEST OF MR. HARU'S..
HE'S RIGHT... WHAT HAVE I DONE?


I KNOW I'M JUST A LOWLY, INSIGNIFICANT GIANT CLAM..
OR WHOEVER'S UP THERE
BUT PLEASE -- IF ONLY FOR THIS MOMENT..
GIVE ME HANDS TO WIPE AWAY HIS TEARS.. AND ARMS TO HOLD AND CONSOLE HIM.
PLEASE PLEASE. PLEASE..
FLASH
!


I DIDN'T MEAN TO BLAME YOU.
STOP
IT'S MY FAULT FOR STILL BEING TOO WEAK.
OH, GOD..


MR. HARU...
STROKE
HE'S SO WARM
IT'S LIKE A DREAM...
OH, THANK YOU THANK YOU


ARE THESE... MY HANDS...?

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SELFISH MR. MERMAID

ACT. 3.5

THIS IS ALREADY ENOUGH HAPPINESS TO LAST ME A LIFETIME
MM...
THAT IS WHY, FROM NOW ON
WHO ARE YOU --?
I WILL WORK TO BRING AS MUCH HAPPINESS TO THIS MAN AS I CAN.

SELFISH MR. MERMAID EXTRA EPISODE/END

UHH...
UHH...
OHH...
WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
OHH!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
FORGET IT
SO WHAT?
B-BUT IT'S A PRECIOUS ITEM, SO...

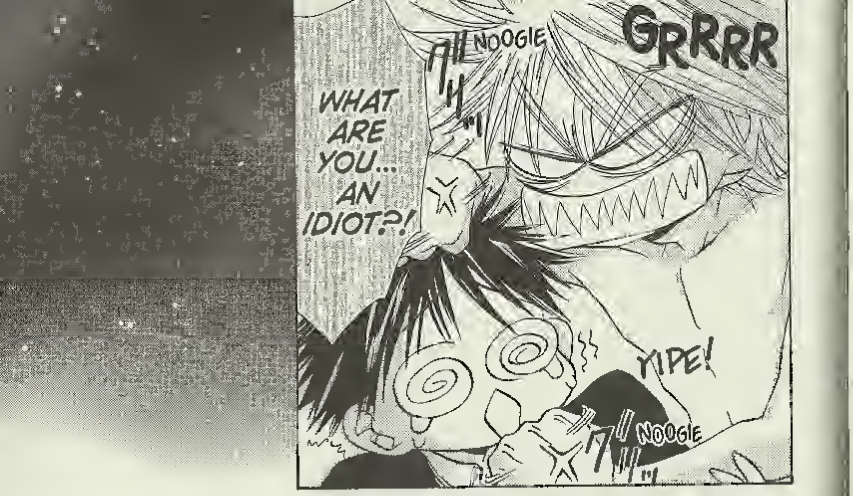
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO WITH IT...?
FREEZE
NEVER IN MY LIFE HAVE I BEEN GIVEN SOMETHING THIS PRECIOUS

I'M SORRY!
I'M SORRY...
YOU IDIOT!
GRRRR
ITAAA
INCH PINCH
YIPE!

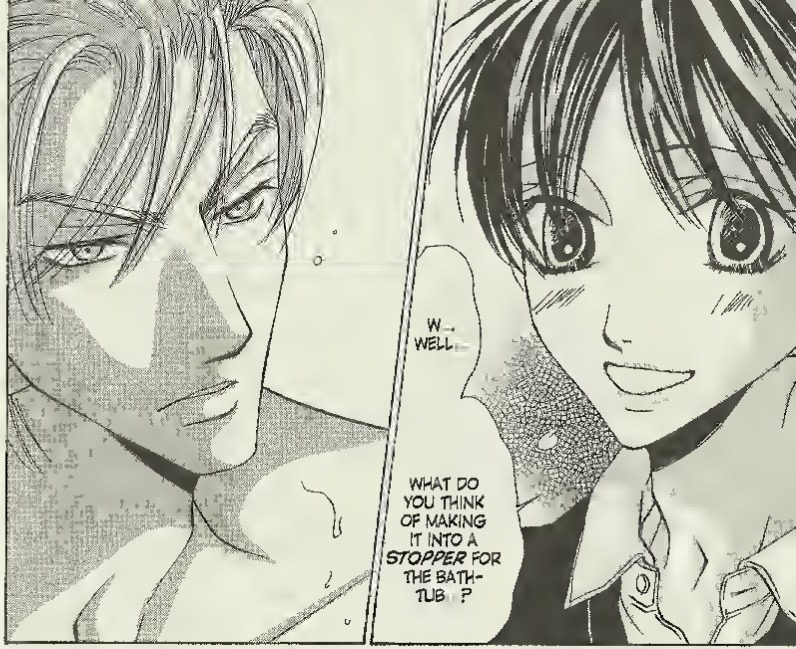
IF IT WERE EVER STOLEN, OR SOMETHING --

EEPooo
GRRRR
YIPE!

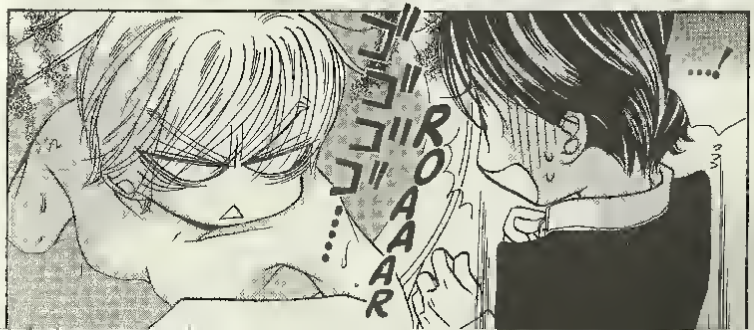
OR IF I EVER BROKE IT...
URK...
I'VE DONE THAT BEFORE

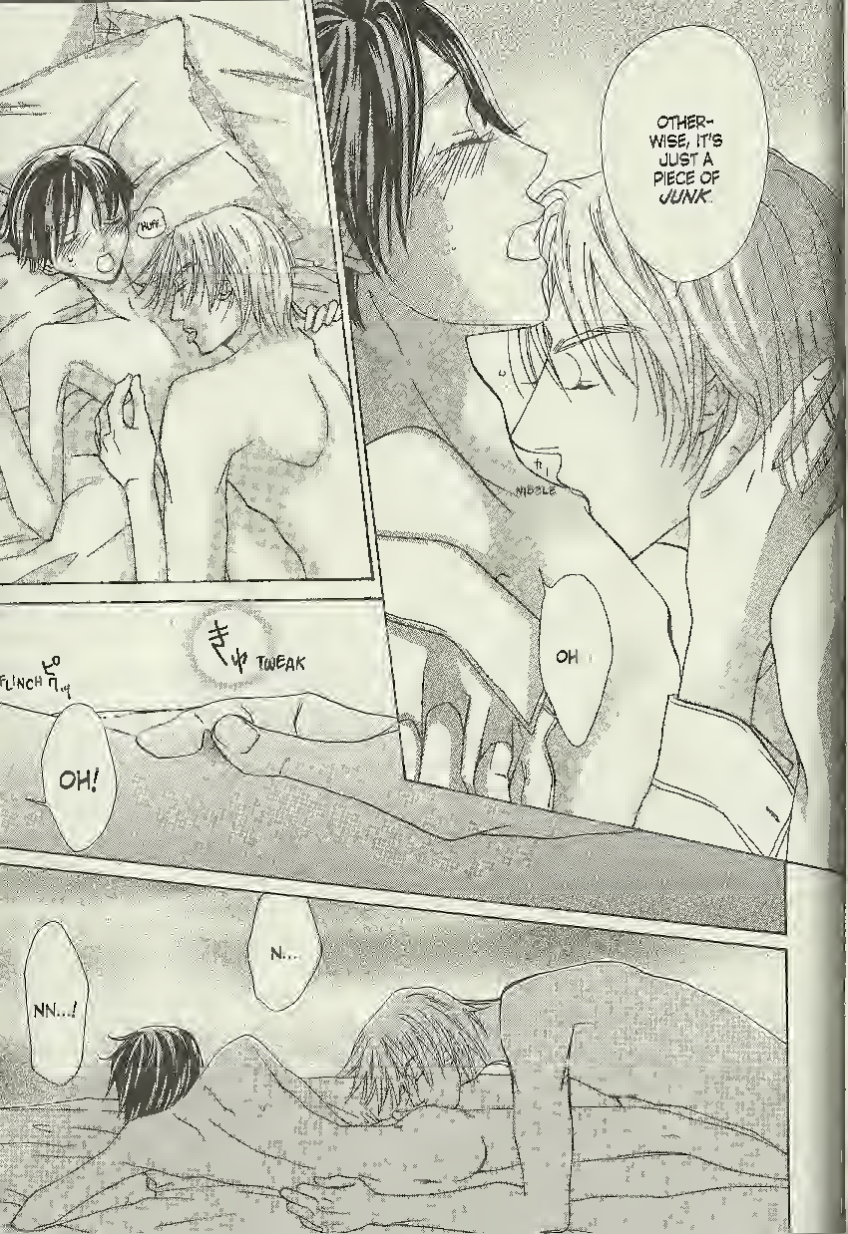

NOOGIE
GRRRR
WHAT ARE YOU... AN IDIOT?!
YIPE!
NOOGIE

UH...
MM...


W...WELL...
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF MAKING IT INTO A STOPPER FOR THE BATH-TUB...?

Y...YOU COULD STOP ANY POTENTIAL BURGLARS...
PERFECT FIT...?
S...SINCE YOU'RE ALWAYS IN HERE, MR. KAIOH...

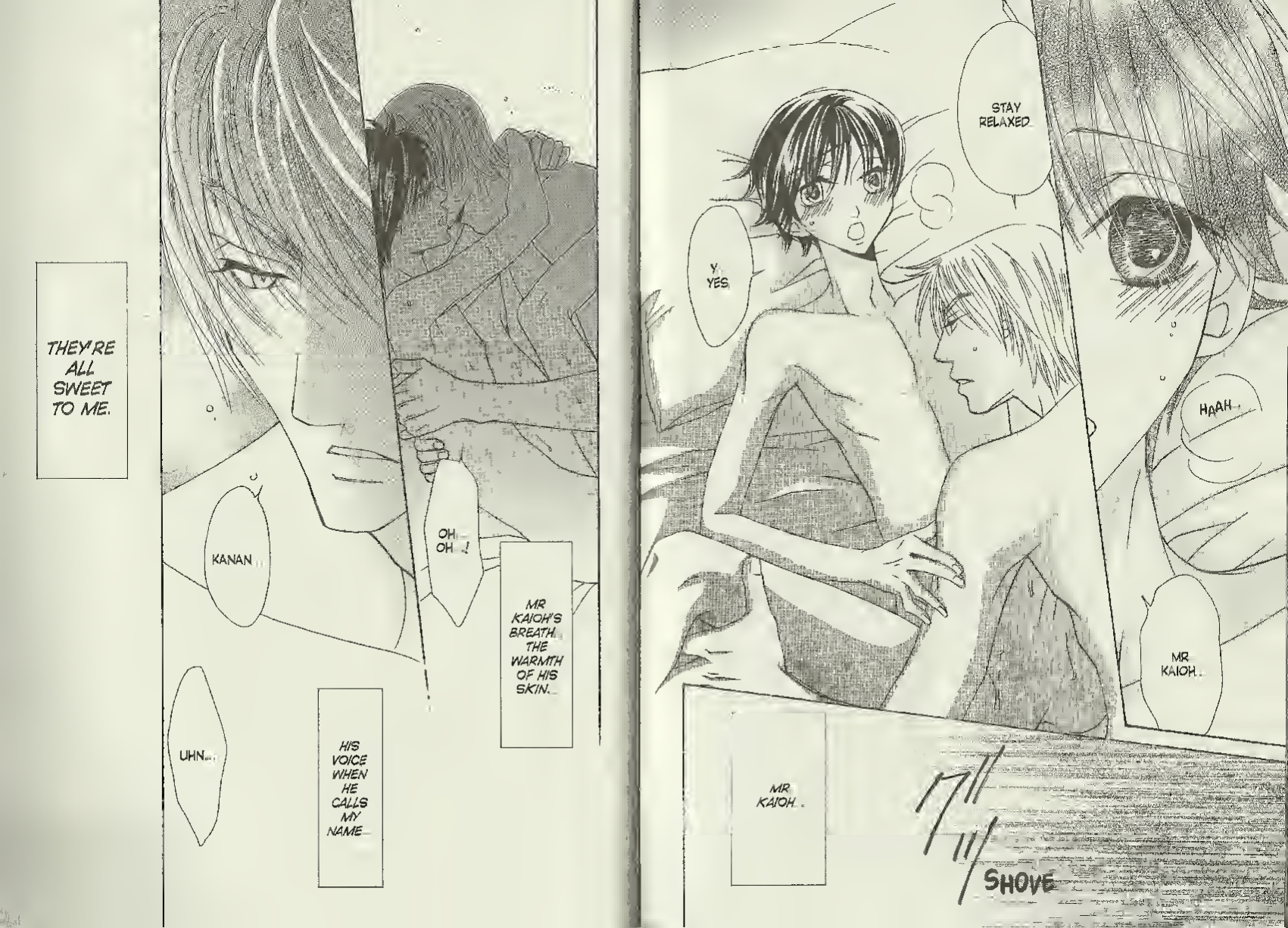

GOGOGOGO...
ROAAAR
...!


OTHER-WISE, IT'S JUST A PIECE OF JUNK.
NIBBLE
OH
TWEAK
FLINCH
OH!
N...
NN...!

I TOLD YOU -- IT'S A SYMBOL OF COURAGE. WHAT'S THE POINT OF KEEPING IT IN THE TUB?
MR KAIOH...
B-BUT...
WHETHER IT'S STOLEN OR IT BREAKS,
YANK
IT'S YOURS, SO KEEP IT NEAR YOU.

NG...!
SQUELCH
SLURP
SLURP
MMGH!
KANAN.
IT'S NOT JUST YOUR TEARS— EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU TASTES SWEET

YOU'RE GONNA CUT YOUR LIP.
CLAMP
...!
SLIDE
SUCK
!


THEY'RE ALL SWEET TO ME.
KANAN...
OH... OH...!
MR KAIOH'S BREATH... THE WARMTH OF HIS SKIN...
UHN...
HIS VOICE WHEN HE CALLS MY NAME...
MR. KAIOH...
Y, YES.
STAY RELAXED.
HAAH...
MR. KAIOH...
SHOVE

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO GAVE ME THEIR HELP, AND TO ALL YOU READERS ☺ I HOPE YOU'LL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT MY WORK ☺

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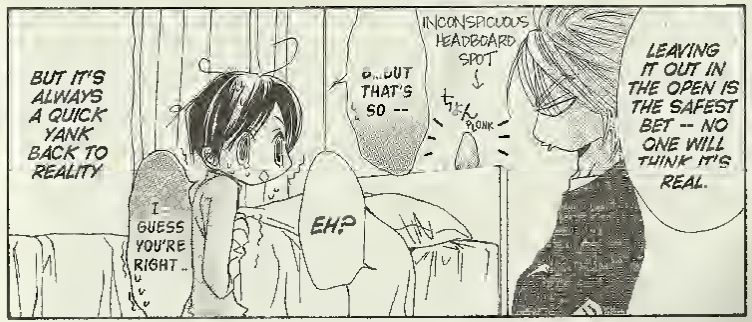
BUT IT'S ALWAYS A QUICK YANK BACK TO REALITY
I-- GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT..
EH?
B...BUT THAT'S SO --
INCONSPICUOUS HEADBOARD SPOT
THUNK
LEAVING IT OUT IN THE OPEN IS THE SAFEST BET -- NO ONE WILL THINK IT'S REAL.

SELFISH MR. MERMAID ACT 3.5/END